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**Resolution:** Sp02.01  
Matriculation Funding

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**Date:** March 5, 2002  
**Subject:** Matriculation Funding  
**Mover:** Melissa L. Tran  
**Seconder:** Rob Jenkins

**Whereas,** the Governor of the State of California has initiated a 38% decrease in matriculation funding for the 2002-2003 academic year;

**Whereas,** matriculation is a state mandated program designed to aid in the successful course completion and transfer of community college students;

**Whereas,** the very program that was mandated and implemented as a result of the Seymour Campbell Act is the one now being jeopardized by the impending 38% budget cut;

**Whereas,** Santa Ana Community College would experience an overall loss of credit matriculation funding in excess of \$548,900 and a total loss of noncredit matriculation funding amounting to over \$531,452 per year;

**Whereas,** the proposed cut returns funding for the colleges to 1995-1996 levels, while the number of students served has risen to 1.5 million;

**Whereas,** the loss of the funding would create the need for the college to cut back on existing services;

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**Whereas,** a decrease in funding of this magnitude would cause assessment, orientation, advisement, follow-up (inclusive of early alert), probation and undecided majors counseling and prerequisite clearance and placement to be altered, possibly creating justification for students to begin self selection of all classes without assessment of basic skills, orientation and faculty advisement, ultimately resulting in higher percentages of academic failure;

**Whereas,** Title 5, Section 55520, establishes the mandatory minimum required student matriculation services to include assessment, orientation, advisement, counseling, student follow-up, coordination and training, and the proposed cuts would impair our ability to meet state mandated program activities;

**Whereas,** "equitable access" to higher education by underrepresented students would be compromised, and students in need of remediation are being referred to the community college in lieu of entrance to the four-year colleges and universities;

**Whereas,** this cut limits the ability of community colleges to support transfer and articulation functions and impairs our ability to adequately advise, educate and train students, thus limiting the ability of students to attain higher skills and higher wages necessary for self sufficiency;

**Whereas,** an unprepared workforce affects the advancement of California's economic growth and global competitiveness;

**Whereas,** matriculation has demonstrated positive and quantifiable benefits to students in the areas of persistence and retention;

**Whereas,** we believe the proposed cuts would have a significant and detrimental impact on the students at Santa Ana Community College and the California State Chancellor's Office realizes the impact of this cut on community colleges.

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***Be it resolved as follows:*** The Academic Senate of Santa Ana Community College recommends that the Governor of the State of California restore matriculation funding to full 100% of existing funding for both credit and noncredit students.