RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OREGON COAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE

RESOLUTION BY THE OREGON COAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF EDUCATION DECLARING EMERGENCY CONDITIONS EXIST AT OREGON COAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND GRANTING AUTHORITY TO TAKE ANY AND ALL NECESSARY ACTIONS TO PREPARE AND RESPOND EFFECTIVELY TO THE NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19).

WHEREAS, on March 8, 2020, Governor of Oregon Kate Brown declared a State of Emergency due to the outbreak and spread of a novel coronavirus (COVID-19); and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Governor Brown issued an Executive Order prohibiting large gatherings of more than 250 people include but are not limited to community, civic, public, leisure, faith-based, or sporting events, concerts, conventions, fundraisers, and any similar events or activities, if a distance of at least three (3) feet between individuals cannot be maintained, and encouraged individuals in high risk populations (those over 60 years of age, or those with an underlying health condition) to avoid gatherings of more than ten (10) people for at least four weeks until April 8, 2020; and

WHEREAS, as of March 18, 2020, there are 65 reported cases of COVID-19 in Oregon, 0 cases in Lincoln County, and public health officials expect the number of cases to increase; and

WHEREAS, ORS 341.290 gives the Board of Education authority to set rules regarding the government of Oregon Coast Community College and strict compliance with various existing college policies and administrative procedures/regulations, would prevent, hinder or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative to prepare for and implement measures to respond to the potential spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative to have the tools to ensure the health and safety of students, staff, and visitors on Oregon Coast Community College's campus(es); and

WHEREAS, it is imperative to have the tools to ensure student learning continues if student education needs to be conducted from alternate locations or virtual learning environments; and

WHEREAS, the foregoing circumstances require a response beyond that which occurs routinely; and

WHEREAS, the foregoing circumstances are anticipated to remain in effect for at least 30 days;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Oregon Coast Community College:

- (1) Determines that the circumstances described in this Resolution constitute an emergency condition; and
- (2) Authorizes the President and his/her designee to take any and all actions necessary to ensure the continuation of public education, and the health and safety of students and staff at Oregon Coast Community College sites and/or make needed alterations, repairs or improvements to college property; and
- (3) Declares that emergency procurements of goods and services are authorized pursuant to ORS 279A.010(1)(f), 279B.080, 279C.320, 279C.335(6), and all other applicable rules, and delegates to the President or the President's designee the authority to approve and execute such emergency contracts in any dollar amount.

THIS DECLARATION IS EFFECTIVE ON MARCH 18, 2020 AND SHALL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL UNLESS EXTENDED.