

RESOLUTION #22/09-10

IN THE MATTER OF CUTS TO OHLONE COLLEGE DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING FUNDING

WHEREAS Ohlone College serves more deaf and hard of hearing students than any other community college in the system and in the country; and

WHEREAS Ohlone enjoys a stellar reputation for its Deaf Studies Program, which attracts students from all over the Bay Area, including those from other college districts resulting in a very high proportion of these students for a college our size and a high demand for interpreting services; and

WHEREAS Ohlone received just \$219,000 in state funding to support class interpreters of the nearly one million dollars it qualified for--by far the largest amount of any college in the community college system; and

WHEREAS these services are federally mandated; and

WHEREAS Ohlone will need to reduce services to the general population of students, cut salaries, lay off employees, or dip into its reserves to continue to provide these required services,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Board of Ohlone College, its President, and its staff will work with interested parties in the community and in local and state government to ensure Ohlone is allocated its fair share of funds to support Deaf and Hard of Hearing students for this and future years.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10<sup>th</sup> day of March 2010, by the Governing Board of Ohlone College.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

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Secretary of the Board of Trustees of  
Ohlone Community College District of the  
County of Alameda and the State of California