WHEREAS, there is a population of 128 immigrant youth who lack legal residency status at Ohlone College;

WHEREAS, access to higher education for the children of immigrants is essential for the future well-being of our communities;

WHEREAS, access to financial aid is essential for undocumented low-income students to attend college and succeed, and

WHEREAS, in 2011 the California legislature adopted new laws, AB 130 & AB 131, expanding eligibility for financial aid to these students in California’s public colleges,

THEREFORE, be it resolved that Ohlone College shall provide appropriate information and professional development on DREAM Act rights to faculty, staff, and students;

Be it further resolved that the District will provide support for immigrant student academic achievement, and will encourage faculty, staff and administration to support the goal of success;

Be it further resolved that Ohlone College will safeguard student confidentiality and non-discrimination against DREAM-eligible students and their families;

Be it further resolved that Ohlone College will encourage faculty, staff, and administration to promote awareness, services, and advocacy of AB 540 students;

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 10th day of October 2012.