

PERALTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
Proclamation
Commemorating the Asian American Community's
Celebration of the Lunar New Year

WHEREAS, this body wishes to honor, with pleasure and great pride, the Asian American community upon the occasion of the celebration of the Lunar New Year; and

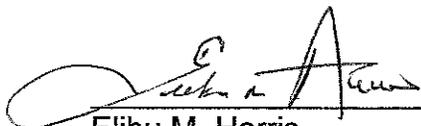
WHEREAS, The Lunar New Year is the most important and popular of festivals observed by Asian Americans, greeted with much preparation and celebration; and

WHEREAS, The unique beauty of Asian culture and the contribution of its people to literature, the arts and sciences, and the economy are well-known and well-appreciated around the world and community; and

WHEREAS, Recognizing the significance of their contributions to the community, this body is proud to honor all residents of Asian ancestry, joining with them in welcoming the New Year; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, That this body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the auspicious occasion of the celebration of the Lunar New Year.

PASSED AND ADOPTED ON THIS 9th day of February, 2010.



Elihu M. Harris
Chancellor and Board Secretary

PERALTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
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African American History Month February 2010

WHEREAS, Americans of African descent helped develop our nation in countless ways; and

WHEREAS, African American history reflects a determined spirit of perseverance and cultural pride in its struggle to share equally in the opportunities of a nation founded upon the principles of freedom and liberty for all people; and

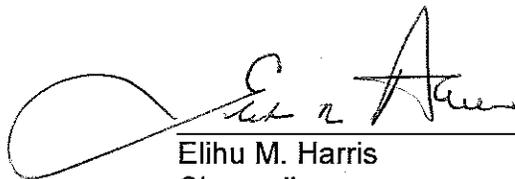
WHEREAS, the history and contributions of African American citizens have been consistently overlooked and undervalued in the curriculum of public education institutions; and

WHEREAS, African American citizens have participated in every effort to secure, protect, and maintain the essence and substance of American democracy, and

WHEREAS, the Peralta Community College District recognizes African Americans as valued members of our "World of Cultures United in Learning";

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Peralta Community College District Chancellor and Board of Trustees encourage the observance of BLACK HISTORY MONTH throughout the entire College District.

PASSED AND ADOPTED ON THIS 9th day of February, 2010.



Elihu M. Harris
Chancellor

Peralta Board of Trustees
Proclamation
In Support of the March 4, 2010 Rally for California's Future

Whereas, March 4, 2010 has been designated as a day to bring public awareness to the plight of public education and services in California; and

Whereas, public education at all levels is being deeply cut so that many students will be denied access to education in California; and

Whereas, cuts to pre-school through higher education budgets will cripple educational institutions; and

Whereas, employees of the Peralta Community College District, our students and the communities we serve have been deeply affected by the budget cuts; and

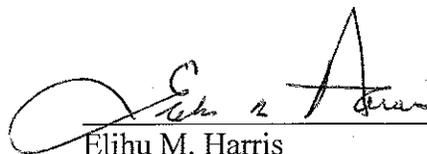
Whereas, the Peralta Federation of Teachers (Local 1603), SEIU 1021, Peralta Chapter, as well as the regional SEIU 1021, San Francisco Central Labor Council, United Educators of San Francisco, San Francisco City College (Local 2121), No Cuts to Education, Oakland Education Association and other labor and educational groups have endorsed the March 4 Rally for California's Future; therefore

Be it resolved, that the Peralta Board of Trustees' endorses and actively supports participation in the March 4, 2010 Rally for California's Future in San Francisco at 5 p.m. in the Civic Center.

Be it further resolved that the Peralta Board of Trustees directs the Chancellor to seek appropriate funds to help obtain bus or BART passes to enable students and any interested employees of the PCCD to attend the rally.

Finally, resolved that the Peralta Board of Trustees support faculty that choose to take classes to the Rally for California's Future as voluntary field trips reasonably related to the faculty's courses.

PASSED AND ADOPTED ON THIS 9th day of February, 2010.



Elihu M. Harris
Chancellor

Peralta Community College District
Proclamation
IN SUPPORT OF CALIFORNIA DEMOCRACY ACT

WHEREAS, California's community colleges are perpetually underfunded leaving thousands of students without access to classes, adequate student services, and other support mechanisms to facilitate their chances of success; and

WHEREAS, California's community colleges enjoy strong public support that is not reflected in the level of funding they receive; and

WHEREAS, California's community colleges have regularly been unable to engage in responsible budget planning because the state legislature has been unable to pass budgets on time; and

WHEREAS, the state of California requires a 2/3's vote of the legislature to pass all revenue and budget legislation; and

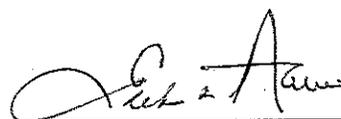
WHEREAS, this has resulted in rule by a minority of the legislature that has consistently blocked the will of the majority of the citizens of the state of California (including strong public desire to fund community colleges), delayed annual enactment of revenue and budget legislation to support the state budget (leading to late budgeting among community colleges), reduced the credit rating of the state, and forced the state to rely on borrowing which burdens future generations of California citizens;

WHEREAS, the 2/3's rule has resulted in a fiscal catastrophe for the state of California, has caused undue harm to the health and welfare of its citizens, including community college employee layoffs, class cuts, cuts in student support services, loss of vital funding for student success initiatives and some financial aid, and other programs essential to the success and well being of our students, faculty, other employees and of our surrounding communities;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Peralta Community College Board of Trustees supports amending the constitution of the state of California to state that: "All legislative actions on revenue and budget must be determined by a majority vote;" and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the PCCD Board of Trustees supports the initiative entitled the California Democracy Act submitted by George Lakoff and will join with the CA Majority Rule campaign to insure its passage in 2010.

Adopted by the Peralta Community College Board of Trustees at its Regular Meeting in Oakland, CA on February 9, 2010.



Elihu M. Harris
Chancellor and Board Secretary