



**COLLEGE DISTRICT TWENTY-NINE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

RESOLUTION 20-07-100

**Condemning Xenophobia and Anti-Asian Bias in the
Wake of the Covid-19 Pandemic**

WHEREAS, Asian and Pacific Islander communities are suffering acts of discrimination and bias due to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, some national leaders have used divisive and inflammatory rhetoric, referring at times to the COVID-19 virus as the "Chinese virus" and "Kung-Flu"; and

WHEREAS, this behavior and language is harmful and unjust and incites fear and aggression towards Asian and Pacific Islander populations; and

WHEREAS, the pandemic disproportionately impacts people of color and the COVID-19 rate among Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander residents living in Pierce County is 4.8 times higher than the white, non-Hispanic rate; and

WHEREAS, Clover Park Technical College's student body is 8% Asian and the College has strong relationships with the Civil Aviation Flight University of China and Osaka Jikei Colleges of Japan; and

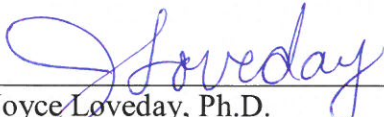
WHEREAS, the Trustees wish to affirm their commitment to standing against discrimination and racism and intentionally creating an environment that honors the well-being and safety of Asian/Pacific Islander students, employees, and community members; and

WHEREAS, The Clover Park Technical College Board of Trustees has passed and will continue to pass policies and procedures embedding the principles of equity, diversity, and inclusion into the College's operations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Clover Park Technical College Board of Trustees condemns any racism, aggression, bias, or hatred directed at Asian and Pacific Islander communities in conjunction with, or outside of, the COVID-19 global pandemic. The Board affirms its commitment, and the College's responsibility, to combat all forms of bias, discrimination, and hate crimes directed at Asian and Pacific Islander communities.

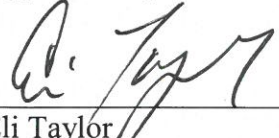
PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Trustees of Clover Park Technical College, state of Washington, on this 8th day of July 2020.

Attested by:



Joyce Loveday, Ph.D.
President
College District Twenty-Nine

Approved by:



Eli Taylor
Chair, Board of Trustees
College District Twenty-Nine