



**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

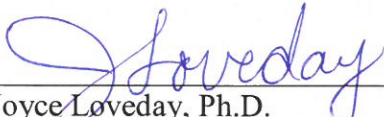
**WHEREAS**, the Trustees wish to affirm their commitment to standing against discrimination and racism and intentionally creating an environment that honors the well-being and safety of Asian/Pacific Islander students, employees, and community members; and

**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;

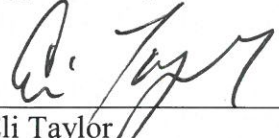
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Clover Park Technical College Board of Trustees condemns any racism, aggression, bias, or hatred directed at Asian and Pacific Islander communities in conjunction with, or outside of, the COVID-19 global pandemic. The Board affirms its commitment, and the College's 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 8<sup>th</sup> day of July 2020.

**Attested by:**

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

**Approved by:**

  
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Eli Taylor  
Chair, Board of Trustees  
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