

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MRS. DONNA L. BESSANT'S \$1 MILLION LEGACY GIFT SUPPORTING MONTEREY PENINSULA COLLEGE STUDENTS

WHEREAS, the Monterey Peninsula College (MPC) Foundation's vision is to provide universal access to an extraordinary education; and

WHEREAS, providing scholarships and other support to MPC students is a critical means to achieving that vision; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Donna L. Bessant has generously chosen to include the MPC Foundation in her estate plans in order to provide financial support to MPC students through the Donna L. Bessant Endowment Fund, which she anticipates to be valued at \$1 million; and

WHEREAS, the Donna L. Bessant Endowment Fund will provide support to MPC students through the Come Back Scholarship and through the MPC Foundation's College Incentive Program; and

WHEREAS, the Come Back Scholarship will support re-entry adult students enrolled at MPC in a career education or academic program of study; and

WHEREAS, the College Incentive Program supports selected recent high school graduates from underserved, low-income populations in Monterey County; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Bessant's legacy gift will provide substantial funding in perpetuity to these two groups of MPC students, helping to meet critical financial need and remove barriers to their gaining a college education;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Monterey Peninsula College Foundation commends Mrs. Bessant's commitment to providing financial support to worthy MPC students, and gratefully acknowledges her extremely generous legacy gift;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Monterey Peninsula College Foundation welcomes Mrs. Bessant to the MPC Foundation Legacy Society, a giving circle honoring individuals who support MPC students by including the MPC Foundation in their estate plans.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Monterey Peninsula College Foundation this 9th day of November 2022.

Rob Lee,	Board President	