RESOLUTION NO. 2024-13 VENTURA COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

RESOLUTION TO COMMEMORATE 55 YEARS OF EXTENDED OPPORTUNITY PROGRAMS and SERVICES (EOPS)

WHEREAS, the Ventura County Community College District Board of Trustees recognizes the 55 years of exceptional support for students provided by our three colleges' Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOPS); and

WHEREAS, EOPS plays a vital role in advancing educational equity and fostering academic success across the district; and

WHEREAS, since its establishment in 1969, EOPS has been unwavering in its mission to offer academic, financial, and personal support to students who face educational and economic barriers, helping them achieve their educational and career goals; and

WHEREAS, EOPS has contributed significantly to the enrichment of the colleges and community by providing individualized counseling, tutoring, financial assistance, and resources that enable students to overcome obstacles, persist in their studies, and graduate; and

WHEREAS, the program's enduring dedication to student success has led to transformative impacts on countless lives, promoting a more inclusive and accessible learning environment that strengthens our educational institution and the broader community; and

WHEREAS, EOPS's commitment to empowering students exemplifies the district's values of diversity, equity, and inclusion, serving as an inspiring model for programs across the nation dedicated to addressing the challenges faced by underserved populations; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Ventura County Community College District Board of Trustees hereby celebrates and commemorates the 55th anniversary of Extended Opportunity Programs and Services, expressing its profound gratitude and recognition for the program's outstanding contributions to the success and well-being of our students and our community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Ventura County Community College District Board of Trustees looks forward to the continued positive impact of EOPS in fostering educational opportunities, supporting students' personal and academic journeys, and upholding our shared commitment to equity, access, and student achievement.

Presented on the 12th day of November 2024.	
Bernardo M. Perez, Board Chair	Dr. Rick MacLennan, Chancellor