

**Resolution to Support Bakersfield College as a Pilot Location for  
Community College Applied BaccaLaureate Degree Program**

**WHEREAS**, the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office has appointed a 16-member panel to review the possibility of baccaLaureate degrees at community colleges in California;

**WHEREAS**, only 14.9% of the population in Kern County has a baccaLaureate degree compared to 30.5% in California;

**WHEREAS**, Bakersfield College has the drive and willingness to accept the challenge of offering a baccaLaureate degree in industrial automation program in Kern County;

**WHEREAS**, Bakersfield College is committed to the process of seeking additional accreditation and the undertaking of a revision to current curriculum and organization;

**WHEREAS**, Title 5 recognizes that Academic Senates are given primacy over curriculum, degree and certificate requirements, and educational program development, all critical to decisions about baccaLaureate programs;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Bakersfield College Academic Senate supports Bakersfield College's position as a pilot location for California Community College Chancellor's Office implementation of a baccaLaureate degree program; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the position of the Bakersfield College Academic Senate, as expressed in this resolution, be transmitted to Chancellor Brice Harris and the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office.

October 28, 2014

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Stephen Holmes  
President, Academic Senate