Board of Trustees of The City University of New York

RESOLUTION TO Approve in-state tuition rate for online degree programs at Queens College

WHEREAS, Queens College is now delivering certain programs fully online to students outside New York State, and

WHEREAS, these programs include the MS Ed in Family and Consumer Sciences and the Bilingual Extension Advanced Certificate in Elementary and Early Childhood Education, and

WHEREAS, the in-state tuition rate has proven crucial to the competitiveness of these online programs in the national and international online education market, and

WHEREAS, such an in-state tuition rate is consistent with other fully online programs at other CUNY colleges, such as John Jay College and the CUNY School of Professional Studies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of the City University of New York adopt a revised schedule of in-state tuition charges <u>effective Spring 2020</u> for out-of-state students enrolling in online degree and certificate programs offered by Queens College, whether current or future.

AND BE IT

RESOLVED, That students in fully online degree and certificate programs be charged a \$75 Online Infrastructure Fee in lieu of current student activity fees.

EXPLANATION: On February 24, 2014, the Board of Trustees of the City University of New York adopted such a schedule of tuition and fee charges for John Jay College. The same structure is in place at the CUNY School of Professional Studies. The in-state tuition rate has proven crucial to the competitiveness of these online programs in the national and international online education market. As of Fall 2019 Queens College has a fully online MS Ed in Family and Consumer Science, and beginning Spring 2020, this program hopes to begin marketing nationally. The program currently has 25 students enrolled and expects to grow to 80-100 as a result of going fully online. The Bilingual Extension Advanced Certificate program, also fully online, is also planning to expand its outreach nationally beginning Fall 2020. We also anticipate developing other new fully online graduate programs over the next several years that will be aimed at national and international markets, as well as within New York State.

The new \$75 Online Infrastructure Fee will be charged in lieu of the student activity fees for all students registered in fully online degree programs. This new fee will provide fully online students with key student services, such as access to student service coordinators dedicated to

online students, online orientation, online tutoring, and an online student portal, that are critical to ensure a high retention rate in online programs at Queens College.