WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees, by Resolution #2014-52, dated May 27, 2014, passed a smoking policy that prohibited smoking in all College buildings and on all College grounds, except for "designated smoking areas" situated on campus, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees recognizes that tobacco use on college campuses is a serious public health issue in New York State and throughout the United States, and

WHEREAS, in June 2012, the State University of New York (SUNY) Board of Trustees adopted a resolution to support a "Tobacco-Free SUNY" policy and the enactment of New York legislation that bans the use of tobacco on grounds and facilities and in vehicles owned, leased or controlled by SUNY, and

WHEREAS, SUNY has recommended that community colleges in New York that are not state-operated campuses also take appropriate steps to adopt tobacco-free policies, and

WHEREAS, more than half of SUNY community colleges have already adopted a tobacco-free policy, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees hereby adopts a revised smoking policy that prohibits tobacco use of any kind, including cigarettes, e-cigarettes, cigars, pipes, or other devices that emit toxic smoke or vapors, on all grounds and in all buildings and facilities owned or operated by the College, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that this policy applies to all College employees, students, visitors and vendors, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that this policy shall be effective starting May 31, 2016.

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Approved by Board of Trustees, dated October 27, 2015 reaffirmed by Board of Trustess Resolution # 2020-26, dated January 28, 2020