RESOLUTION

SUPPORTING THE SUNY INSTITUTE OF ARTS, SCIENCES, AND TECHNOLOGY

WHEREAS, SUNY Canton and SUNY Potsdam have proposed the concept of the SUNY Institute of Arts, Sciences, and Technology, that would serve as the clearinghouse and public image of the shared services programs; and

WHEREAS, the Institute will draw from the assets, strengths, and expertise and enhance the reputations of both institutions; and

WHEREAS, the Institute will create new opportunities, not currently available at either institution or that they could achieve on their own; and

WHEREAS, the Institute will help to increase enrollment, retention, selectivity, revenue, and financial stability while reducing costs to both institutions; and

WHEREAS, the Institute will enhance current academic programs and offer new academic and learning opportunities such as new graduate degrees and joint or dual-degree programs; and

WHEREAS, the Institute will offer new avenues for collaboration between faculty and staff of both institutions and unleash their boundless creativity and entrepreneurial spirit; and

WHEREAS, faculty and staff from other higher education institutions will be attracted to SUNY Canton and SUNY Potsdam through faculty development opportunities, joint research programs, conferences, and leadership institutes; and

WHEREAS, SUNY Canton and SUNY Potsdam will maintain their own distinctive identity, leadership, and brand while creating a third brand shared by the two institutions; and

WHEREAS, the Institute will contribute significantly to the economy of our region and potentially offer services to surrounding communities; and

WHEREAS, SUNY Canton, as a leader in applied sciences and technology education, will bring important and unique contributions to the partnership; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the College Council of the State University of New York, College of Technology at Canton (SUNY Canton), fully supports the proposed SUNY Institute of Arts, Sciences, and Technology on this the Twenty-Fifth Day of September, Two Thousand and Twelve.

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Ronald M. O’Neill  Date
Chairman, College Council