



Proclamation

WHEREAS, Sonoma County Junior College District, well known as Santa Rosa Junior College, is celebrating its 100th Anniversary, and in recognition of its role in promoting educational opportunity, academic excellence, economic vitality, social equity and community advancement throughout the North Bay region; and

WHEREAS, Santa Rosa Junior College was originally conceived in November 1917 by the Federated Home and School Association, an organization of prominent Santa Rosa women who cherished the ethos of locally-based higher education; and

WHEREAS, Santa Rosa Junior College enrolled nineteen students its first semester, Spring 1918, and eventually included all high school districts located in Sonoma County, and parts of Marin and Mendocino Counties by July 1963; and over its 100 years has served more than 1,700,000 individuals, preparing each one for regional, national and global leadership; and

WHEREAS, Santa Rosa Junior College has established campuses in Santa Rosa and Petaluma, a Public Safety Training Center in Windsor, the 365-acre Shone Farm in Forestville, the Southwest Santa Rosa Center in Roseland, classroom-based instruction throughout the district and an online program that serves students from throughout the region and beyond; and

WHEREAS, having established a legacy of excellence during a century of service, Santa Rosa Junior College has established academic, career technical education, athletic and performing arts programs that have consistently garnered state, national and worldwide attention, bringing honor to the college and community; and

WHEREAS, it is the adopted vision that, "Santa Rosa Junior College aspires to be an inclusive, diverse and sustainable learning community that engages the whole person," a statement that genuinely reflects the legacy of its imprint on the entire North Bay region, a vision guarded vigorously throughout the test of time; and

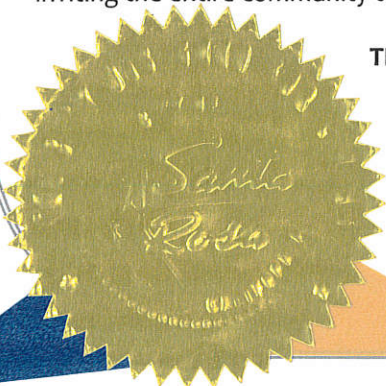
WHEREAS, the distribution of funds to support students and educational programs has earned the SRJC Foundation the top ranking among all California community colleges and recognition amongst the top in the nation;


WHEREAS, the Santa Rosa Junior College Student Services and the Frank P. Doyle and Polly O'Meara Doyle Scholarships are acknowledged as among the finest in the California Community College System; and

WHEREAS, the faculty, staff, administrators and student leaders have vowed to ensure collegiality and harmony in order to cultivate creativity, respect, health and the inherent richness of a multi-cultural community;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Chris Coursey, Mayor of the City of Santa Rosa, on behalf of the entire City Council, hereby recognize and commend the institution for its historic contributions to the people of this district by inviting the entire community to celebrate and participate in

THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF SANTA ROSA JUNIOR COLLEGE




Mayor Chris Coursey
January 9, 2018