WHEREAS, new educational programs require approval of the Board of Trustees of Community College District No. 508, and the Illinois Community College Board (ICCB);

WHEREAS, an application for approval of a new program, Alternative Fuel Vehicle Technology, basic certificate at Kennedy-King College (KKC), has been received and appropriately reviewed for submission;

WHEREAS, Alternative Fuel Vehicle Technology (AFVT) will be a basic certificate program designed to train automotive technicians, advanced automotive students and automotive instructors in the techniques necessary to safely and effectively serve hybrid fueled vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the overall objectives of the program are to:

• Train advanced students, automotive technicians, automotive instructors who teach engine performance and workers whose job bring them in contact with Alternative Fuel Vehicles (AFVs) to properly service these vehicle types.
• Diagnose and repair vehicles based on manufacturer’s approved diagnostic and repair procedures.
• Increase the competency of automotive technicians to properly use sophisticated testing equipment in the diagnosis and repair of AFVs.
• Improve profitability of local auto repair businesses within KKC’s community.
• Enhance the information base of automotive educators to improve the quality of their automotive programs.
• Reduce the number of improperly diagnosed vehicles currently attributed to undertrained technicians.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of Community College District No. 508, hereby approves the submission of this program for permanent approval by the Illinois Community College Board.