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

WHEREAS, an application for approval of a new program, Health Professions, B.C., at Malcolm X College, has been received and has been appropriately reviewed for submission; and

WHEREAS, the Basic Certificate provides the educational background required for pursuing a career in the healthcare industry. The curriculum covers the foundational knowledge, skills, and abilities needed to function as an entry level healthcare provider. The program focuses on student development in the following competencies essential to all healthcare providers: effective communication, accountability, cultural competence, use of information systems, and patient safety. Upon completion of the Basic Certificate, students will demonstrate that they can deliver safe, culturally-competent, and evidence based patient care.

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

May 2, 2013 – Office of Academic Affairs