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ADOPTED – BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
OCTOBER 5, 2017

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS

RESOLUTION
ADOPTING THE HAROLD WASHINGTON COLLEGE MISSION STATEMENT
OFFICE OF ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS

WHEREAS, the Illinois Public Community College Act, as amended, lists the powers and duties of community college districts in the State of Illinois, and states in 110 ILCS 805/3-30, that:

The board of any community college district has the powers ... that may be requisite or proper for the maintenance, operation and development of any college or colleges under the jurisdiction of the board.

WHEREAS, the regular review of the college mission is both an expectation of the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) and a best practice among peer institutions; and

WHEREAS, the HLC Criteria for Accreditation/Criteria One/Mission/1.A states: “The institution’s mission is broadly understood within the institution and guides its operations”; and

WHEREAS, the HLC Criteria for Accreditation/Criteria One/Mission/1.A.1 states: “The mission statement is developed through a process suited to the nature and culture of the institution and is adopted by the governing board”; and

WHEREAS, the Harold Washington College community, through a shared process, has reflected critically on its mission and has authorized a revised version that communicates its guiding principles as an institution of higher education in a contemporary society.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Community College District No. 508, County of Cook and State of Illinois, as follows:

1. The attached mission statement is hereby adopted by the Board of Trustees.
2. This mission statement may hereby be promulgated and published where appropriate.
3. This Resolution shall be effective immediately.

October 5, 2017 – Office of Academic and Student Affairs



CITY COLLEGES of CHICAGO

Harold Washington

Education that Works

**Attachment A (Final Draft of New Mission Statement
Oct. 2017)**

Harold Washington College is a student-centered institution that empowers all members of its community through accessible and affordable academic advancement, career development and personal enrichment.

To fulfill this mission, Harold Washington College focuses on the following core values:

We

- embrace human diversity
- care about the whole student
- offer responsive and relevant education
- pursue academic excellence
- assess to improve learning
- build community
- foster global citizenship for social justice

Through these core values, we strive to embody and honor the vision of Harold Washington, former Mayor of Chicago.