

**RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE SUNY BOARD OF TRUSTEES RESOLUTION FOR  
THE ESTABLISHMENT OF TUITION BENEFIT FOR STUDENTS FROM  
TEMPORARY PROTECTED STATUS COUNTRIES**

**WHEREAS** on December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022, the SUNY Board of Trustees ratified a resolution that establishes the benefit of resident tuition rates for the Spring 2022 term and the 2022/23 academic year for any undergraduate and graduate students at the State University of New York State-operated campuses who (a) currently hold a non-immigrant visa and who are nationals of countries that have been granted Temporary Protected Status (TPS) and (b) are currently ineligible for resident rates of tuition; and

**WHEREAS** Onondaga Community College welcomes refugee populations and supports SUNY's history of responding to populations in need by designating the citizens/residents of locations devastated by natural or manmade disasters as New York residents for tuition purposes; and

**WHEREAS** the United States Secretary for the Department of Homeland Security is authorized to designate a foreign state (or any part thereof) for Temporary Protected Status upon finding that extraordinary and temporary conditions in the foreign state prevent its nationals from returning safely, unless permitting the foreign state's nationals to remain temporarily in the United States is contrary to the national interest of the United States; and


**WHEREAS** Onondaga Community College supports the SUNY Board of Trustees' extension of the benefit of resident tuition to students who are nationals of countries that have been designated as Temporary Protected Status as a humanitarian response which acknowledges these students' inability to return to their home;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Onondaga Community College supports the actions of the Chancellor, or designee, and hereby who is, authorized to amend the State University of New York Guidelines on Residency for Tuition Purposes to, within the confines of New York State Education Law, make graduate and undergraduate students enrolled in the State-operated institutions of the State University of New York, who are attending these institutions on non-immigrant visas and are nationals of a country that has been granted Temporary Protected Status, to be considered eligible for resident tuition as well as a waiver of the one-time new international student fee for the Spring 2022 term and the 2022/23 academic year and beyond if extended by the SUNY Board of Trustees through that extension date;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Onondaga County Community College Board of Trustees, operating under the program of the State University of New York, will take action to support students from Temporary Protected Status nations consistent with the spirit of this policy.

Approved by the Board of Trustees at the meeting on March 28, 2023

March 28, 2023  
Date

  
Tara Owens, Secretary of the Board