

**RESOLUTION TO ENDORSE A FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR A NEW PROGRAM IN  
HEALTH PROMOTION AND WELLNESS**

**WHEREAS**, new programs at Onondaga Community College originate from transfer requirements, industry needs, student and community input, faculty recommendations, and/or program review; and

**WHEREAS**, review and consultation for such new programs will occur with the Provost, Assistant Provost, Academic Deans, and within Academic Departments, Curriculum Committee, Learning Outcomes Assessment Committee, and Faculty Senate as a whole with further review of such new programs conducted by the State University of New York and the New York State Education Department; and

**WHEREAS**, the Provost has discussed the new program proposal with faculty leaders and hereby requests endorsement by the Board of Trustees to conduct a cost and feasibility analysis to be reviewed by an independent consultant consistent with the requirements outlined in the College's Curriculum Handbook, subject to the College President making a final determination concerning whether to proceed with any new program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Covid-19 pandemic heightened awareness of the importance of wellness and healthy lifestyles for individuals and communities; and

**WHEREAS**, enrollment in the College's School of Health continues to grow, attracting new students interested in health-related programs that offer strong career outcomes in our region; and

**WHEREAS**, labor market analysis indicates above average median salary and above average projected occupational growth for Wellness occupations in our region over the next 10 years; and

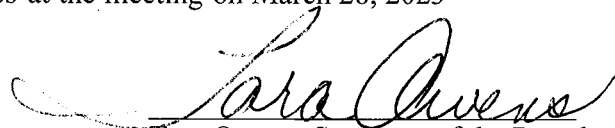
**WHEREAS**, the Provost has recommended to the College President and the College President hereby recommends to the Board of Trustees that a Health Promotion and Wellness program be endorsed for a feasibility study; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustee recognizes that the programs resulting from the feasibility analysis will be appropriately designed to fulfill the requirements of a credential the College is authorized to grant (e.g., Certificate, Associate of Arts, Associate of Sciences, Associate of Applied Sciences, Associate in Occupational Studies);

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees of Onondaga Community College hereby endorses a feasibility study for a Health Promotion and Wellness degree and/or certificate program consistent with the College's existing authority to develop certificates and associate degrees.

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

March 28, 2023  
Date

  
Tara Owens, Secretary of the Board