

**RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE NORMA E. FOODY  
ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIP**

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of the Onondaga Community College Foundation is to solicit private support enabling Onondaga Community College to achieve and maintain a measure of excellence and to undertake development programs to enhance the College's educational and public service mission; and

**WHEREAS**, a gift was made to the OCC Foundation from the estate of the late OCC Professor Emerita Norma E. Foody in an amount totaling \$397,719.44; Foody served as a member of College faculty in the English department from 1962 to 1978; and

**WHEREAS**, Onondaga Community College wishes to establish an endowed professorship to support the professional development and scholarly activities of its faculty, including research, writing, conference presentations, and an annual presentation at the OCC Honors Showcase highlighting the professional development and scholarly work undertaken through this support; and

**WHEREAS**, the State University of New York (SUNY) has established the Excelsior Scholars for Excellence in Undergraduate Education Endowed Professorship Challenge (Excelsior Scholars) to recognize faculty members with endowed chairs who are gifted teachers, as well as scholars, researchers and/or applied learning innovators; and

**WHEREAS**, under Excelsior Scholars, SUNY community colleges may establish an endowed professorship with a minimum gift of \$250,000, which also enables the OCC Foundation to access a \$75,000 match from the State University of New York payable over a six-year period; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors of the OCC Foundation unanimously passed a resolution at its October 15, 2020 board meeting to restrict the funding from the gift of the Norma E. Foody Estate to support the College's wish to establish an endowed professorship; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Onondaga Community College Board of Trustees hereby establishes the Norma E. Foody Endowed Professorship at Onondaga Community College.

Approved by the OCC Board of Trustees at a meeting on November 17, 2020

November 17, 2020  
Date

  
Tara Owens, Secretary of the Board

**RESOLUTION TO AWARD THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK/  
ONONDAGA COMMUNITY COLLEGE HONORARY ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE  
TO  
RODERIC W. GROAT**

**WHEREAS**, the Honorary Associate of Arts Degree is the highest form of recognition offered by Onondaga Community College to persons of exceptional distinction; and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of the honorary degree is to honor meritorious and outstanding service to the College, the State of New York, the United States, and/or to the community at large and to recognize persons whose lives serve as examples of the College's aspirations for its students; and

**WHEREAS**, Roderick W. Groat, also known as Rod Wood, has spent more than a half-century delivering news to Central New York. He began his broadcasting career in radio, moved to television, and since 1976 he has been a news anchor with WSYR TV Newschannel 9. He spent 31 years anchoring the evening news with Carrie Lazarus, forming one of the longest running news teams in the country; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Groat is a member of the New York State Broadcasters Hall of Fame and he is on the Syracuse Press Club's Wall of Fame at the Onondaga County Civic Center. He is also a United States Army Veteran whose name appears on the scrolls at the Onondaga County War Memorial; and

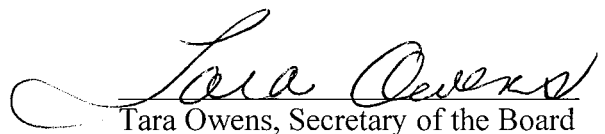
**WHEREAS**, for his meritorious and outstanding service to Onondaga Community College, Onondaga County, and the greater Central New York community, the Board Officers and President Kathleen E. Crabill, Ed.D., recommend that the Board of Trustees grant an Honorary Associate of Arts Degree to Roderic W. Groat; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees has the authority to award all honorary associate degrees in the name of the State University of New York;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Onondaga Community College Board of Trustees does hereby award the State University of New York/Onondaga Community College Honorary Associate of Arts Degree to Roderic W. Groat at the Onondaga Community College Recognition Ceremony in December 2020.

Approved by the OCC Board of Trustees at the meeting on November 17, 2020

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**RESOLUTION TO ENDORSE A FEASIBILITY STUDY  
FOR A NEW ACADEMIC PROGRAM**

**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, and Academic Deans and within Academic Departments, Curriculum Committee, Learning Outcomes Assessment Committee, and Faculty Senate as a whole; and

**WHEREAS**, further review of such new programs will occur with 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 with the Board of Trustees and has requested endorsement by the Board of Trustees to conduct a cost and feasibility analysis to be completed by an independent consultant consistent with the requirements outlined in the College's Curriculum Handbook; and

**WHEREAS**, the College President will make the final determination concerning whether to proceed with the development and approval of any new program; and

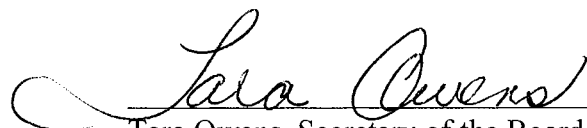
**WHEREAS**, the Provost has recommended to the College President and the College President hereby recommends to the Board of Trustees that a Laboratory Technician program be endorsed for a feasibility study; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustee recognizes that the program 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 Laboratory Technician program consistent with the College's existing authority to develop certificates and associate degrees.

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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING IMPLEMENTATION OF SUNY  
UNIFORM SANCTIONING IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19 STUDENT  
VIOLATIONS POLICY<sup>1</sup>**

**WHEREAS**, on September 25, 2020, the Chancellor of the State University of New York (SUNY) promulgated a comprehensive, emergency directive to address violations of COVID-19 safety protocols occurring at SUNY's State-operated campuses and community colleges; and

**WHEREAS**, that directive included a Uniform Sanctioning in Response to COVID-19 Student Violations Policy (SUNY Policy) to effectuate a fair and consistent approach to policy violations across all SUNY State-operated and community college campuses; and

**WHEREAS**, the SUNY Chancellor has expressed that the SUNY Policy is narrowly tailored to the current public health emergency; seeks to create uniform sanctions to help protect the health of students, faculty, staff, and community members; applies only during the emergency response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and, shall end upon order of the Chancellor; and

**WHEREAS**, the SUNY Policy does not supersede definitions of COVID-19 requirements described in the Onondaga Community College Student Code of Conduct<sup>2</sup> but assigns standard sanctions for such violations; and

**WHEREAS**, Onondaga Community College is committed to maintaining a safe workplace and learning environment during the COVID-19 pandemic and, therefore, has established, in accordance with New York State, SUNY, and public health mandates and guidelines, comprehensive policies, protocols, rules, and procedures to support safe reopening and operations during the COVID-19 pandemic, including rules governing student conduct and COVID-19 health and safety protocols;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Onondaga Community College Board of Trustees hereby authorizes implementation of the SUNY Uniform Sanctioning in Response to COVID-19 Student Violations Policy while said SUNY Policy remains in effect.

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<sup>1</sup> Uniform Sanctioning in Response to COVID-19 Student Violations:  
<https://www.suny.edu/media/suny/content-assets/documents/chancellor/UniformSanctions-Response-COVID-19-Student-Violations.pdf>

<sup>2</sup> Policy N5 (Student Conduct and Disciplinary Procedures- "The Code"):  
<https://www2.sunyocc.edu/node/17736>