

HARTNELL COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Resolution No. 20:23

*Commending Area 3 Trustee Patricia “Pat” Donohue for Outstanding Service
to the Hartnell Community College District*

WHEREAS, Area 3 Trustee and longtime Salinas resident Patricia “Pat” Donohue has provided distinguished service and exemplary leadership as a Governing Board member for the Hartnell Community College District, to its students and all of its residents over the past 13 years, from 2007-20; and

WHEREAS, Trustee Donohue has embraced and upheld a philosophy of “students first” – weighing every decision on that basis – and set an inspiring example for fellow trustees, employees and supporters of the District; and

WHEREAS, Trustee Donohue’s deeply held and often-expressed belief in the outstanding quality of a Hartnell College education and the unlimited potential of its graduates, in both university-transfer programs and Career Technical Education, has made her a tireless advocate for students and employees; and

WHEREAS, Trustee Donohue has served with distinction as Governing Board President from 2008-10; board Vice President in 2008, 2013, 2015-17, and 2019-20; member of The Western Stage Board of Directors, 2008; and member of the Hartnell College Foundation Council for the Arts from 2014-20; and

WHEREAS, during Trustee Donohue’s three terms in office, the District has seen dramatic and continuing gains in its students’ completion of certificates and degrees and transfer to the California State University and University of California systems, as well as an unconditional reaccreditation by the Accrediting Commission of Community and Junior Colleges, in 2019;

WHEREAS, Trustee Donohue joined with fellow trustees to place Bond Measure T before District voters in 2016, providing \$167 million for construction of new educational centers in Soledad and Castroville and expansion of the Hartnell center in King City, as well as construction of a new Center for Nursing and Health Sciences on the Salinas Main Campus, among several other current and future improvement projects, ensuring student access to high-quality facilities and advanced technology; and

WHEREAS, the board membership of Trustee Donohue has continually set a high bar for decorum, integrity, respect, fiscal responsibility, and fair-mindedness, elevating the deliberation and overall tone of Governing Board meetings;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Hartnell Community College District hereby recognizes and expresses its profound appreciation to Trustee Donohue for her selfless commitment to its students and the communities it serves.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 17th day of November

Aurelio Salazar, Jr.
Governing Board President

Raúl Rodríguez, Ph.D.
Interim Superintendent/President
Board of Trustees Secretary