

# **RESOLUTION URGING THE HIGHEST POSSIBLE COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT STANDARDS IN THE BALBOA RESERVOIR DEVELOPMENT**

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WHEREAS, The lower Balboa Reservoir neighbors the Ocean Campus of City College of San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, It is one of the largest undeveloped parcels of land in San Francisco;

WHEREAS, The land is owned by the city's Public Utilities Commission, it is public land and has been used by City College continuously since 1948;

WHEREAS, faculty and classified staff of City College and SFUSD have been hard hit by the ongoing housing crisis, unable to live in the communities they serve, and often commuting long distances;

WHEREAS, students and families of City College and SFUSD have also been hit hard by the housing crisis, that harms their ability to succeed academically;

THEREFOR LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the American Federation of Teachers 2121 urges the highest possible community empowerment standards for the development of the reservoir, advancing the causes of housing affordability, living-wage-employment and transit justice.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that AFT 2121 affirms its long-standing position that irreplaceable public land should remain in public hands and be used only for the public good, and not sold to private interests;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that 100% of housing construction on the Balboa Reservoir should be truly affordable by faculty, classified staff, and students of City College and San Francisco Unified School District;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that construction on the Balboa Reservoir be done by union labor and also to create living-wage jobs for low-income students and community residents through partnership with CCSF's outstanding job training programs;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any development of the Balboa Reservoir must enhance public transportation with particular attention to linking underserved communities to the Ocean Campus