

Modesto Junior College
Academic Senate Resolution FA 20-A:
Acknowledgement of Classified Professionals' Vital Contribution to Modesto Junior College

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Whereas: The hard work of classified professionals, since the outbreak of Covid-19 and now with the arrival of wildfires and dangerous levels of smoke, has been essential to the continued operations of our college and district, and

Whereas: With multiple campus closures and continuing restrictions, classified professionals have often worked longer hours, and under more challenging circumstances, than normal. Yet, classified professionals have found new, innovative ways to offer excellent virtual service to all students, faculty and administrators.

Whereas: There are many examples of classified professionals going above and beyond, in challenging times, to find a way to get the job done.

Whereas: As just one example of how classified professionals have risen to the challenges of this year, as of the beginning of August, MJC Student Services classified professionals have assisted students over 25,000 times via the live chat feature. The average chat duration is over 13 minutes and the average number of messages in one chat is 16. This is an excellent example of the innovative work classified professionals are doing to ensure our continuation of classes and a wide-variety of essential services.

Whereas: We, the faculty of Modesto Junior College, wish to express our thanks to all classified professionals at the colleges and the district who have dedicated countless hours of essential work to our community of learners.

Therefore: Be it resolved, that the classified professionals of Modesto Junior College deserve our thanks and gratitude for their dedication, perseverance and service to our college at a difficult time, and

Therefore: Be it further resolved, the Academic Senate at Modesto Junior College acknowledges our classified professionals and deeply appreciates their vital contributions to the continued operations of our campuses, classes and essential student services.

First Reading: September 17, 2020

Final Reading: October 1, 2020

Disposition: Carried