



1 **COLORADO COLLEGE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION**

2 **A Resolution in Support of Open Education Resources**

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4 WHEREAS, the Colorado College Student Government Association understands that the current
5 cost of course materials is burdensome to students and has increased exponentially over the past
6 few years, and;

7 WHEREAS, studies have shown that the high cost of course materials is one of the leading
8 causes of low grade point average for college students [1], and;

9 WHEREAS, students take on additional debt in order to purchase their course materials or
10 forego purchasing course materials entirely, due to the high cost, and;

11 WHEREAS, ‘Open Educational Resources’ is defined as free and openly licensed educational
12 materials that can be used for teaching, learning, research, and other purposes that reside in the
13 public domain and are free to access use at no cost and with no limited restrictions [2], and;

14 WHEREAS, other institutions of higher education have successfully adopted Open Educational
15 Resources at their institutions to promote student success,

16 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Colorado College Student Government
17 Association wholeheartedly supports the awareness, adoption, creation, and sustainability of
18 Open Educational Resources for students, and;

19 FINALLY BE IT RESOLVED, that the Colorado College Student Government Association
20 encourages the Colorado College administration to offer support to faculty to integrate Open
21 Educational Resources in their courses.