

## RESOLUTION

**BOARD OF REGENTS' RESOLUTION** – Expressing support for the efforts of the Governor's Office of Economic Development to make the Workforce Innovations for a New Nevada (WINN) fund a permanent component of the workforce development and training processes available for economic development in the State of Nevada.

- WHEREAS, the WINN Fund was established as a result of legislative action in the 2015 Special Legislative Session in December 2015; and
- WHEREAS, the legislation requires the Governor's Office of Economic Development (GOED) to develop and implement programs to provide customized workforce development services to companies that create and expand businesses in the state and relocate businesses to the state; and
- WHEREAS, the legislation was inspired by the need for customized workforce training in advanced manufacturing and related skills to serve the needs of emerging industries in the state; and
- WHEREAS, the Legislature appropriated an initial funding of \$3.5 million in the current biennium, and did not specify funding for future biennia; and
- WHEREAS, the legislation requires the Executive Director of GOED, in consultation with the Nevada System of Higher Education, the Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation, the Department of Education, and other appropriate persons, to develop and implement programs to provide customized workforce development services; and
- WHEREAS, the Nevada System of Higher Education, through its community colleges, is well equipped and suited to provide the customized training called for by this legislation and the intent of the fund, in the appropriate configuration(s) necessary to serve the needs of industries targeted by the GOED for economic development; and
- WHEREAS, the community colleges serve every geographic region of the State; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION, that on this day, June 9, 2016, the members of the Board of Regents support the efforts and intent of the Governor's Office of Economic Development to sustain and expand the corpus of the Workforce Innovations for a New Nevada fund; and to make the fund available for underwriting the expense of customized workforce training in the State of Nevada for future biennia; and be it further
- RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution shall be transmitted to the Governor's Office of Economic Development, and the Board of Economic Development.

Rick Trachok Chairman of the Board of Regents Nevada System of Higher Education