

Commendation of Dr. James L. Rodríguez

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Whereas, Dr. James Rodríguez has served with integrity and distinction as the Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs from January 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025, providing leadership during a critical period of institutional transition; and

Whereas, Dr. Rodríguez has demonstrated a steadfast commitment to the university, academic excellence, and student success; and

Whereas, under his stewardship, the university maintained continuity in academic operations, advanced key institutional initiatives, and upheld its core values through collaboration and shared governance; and

Whereas, Dr. Rodríguez played a central role in the development of a new budgeting model for Academic Affairs, positioning the university to more effectively manage its operations during difficult financial times; and

Whereas, Dr. Rodríguez has also served as the Dean's representative to the Academic Senate; be it

Resolved, that the Academic Senate of California State University Bakersfield commends Dr. James Rodríguez for his exemplary service, leadership, and commitment to shared governance as Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs.

Approved by the Academic Senate on May 8, 2025 Approved by the President on May 28, 2025