A Resolution of the MiraCosta College Academic Senate Resolution to Honor Debby Adler for Distinguished Contributions to Faculty Governance Committees of MiraCosta College (R. 1-24)

Whereas, Debby Adler has served 7 years as an Instructional Division Secretary and 12 years as an Administrative Assistant to the Dean, and currently has in her office two chains of linked paperclips—a rainbow chain of 38 paperclips for each semester; a white and yellow chain of 19 paperclips for each summer; plus one, final paperclip pinned by itself to her office corkboard, representing this, her final semester at MiraCosta College; and

Whereas, Debby has assisted seven Academic Senate Presidents–Mark Yeager, Mike Fino, Susan Herrmann, María Figueroa, Luke Lara, Leila Safaralian, curry mitchell–six Professional Development Program committee chairs–Rica French, Kelly Hagen, Jim Sullivan, Denise Stephenson, Bruce Hoskins, Aaron Roberts–4 Sabbatical Leave committee chairs–Patricia Hanada-Rogers, Pilar Hernandez, Gail Meinhold, Jennifer Paris–and two Salary Leave committee chairs–Lilia Vidal and Donny Munshower; and

Whereas, over these 39 semesters Debby has worked at MiraCosta, she has only missed two meetings—ever—and as such has recorded approximately 434 sets of meeting minutes including regular Academic Senate and Subcommittee meetings in addition to special meetings, department retreats, and advisory meetings for Horticulture, Design, and Auto; and

Whereas, Debby wrote and signed Mission Federal Credit Union check #843 on April 2, 2015 for \$6,525.00 from the Academic Senate to the Faculty Assembly, an action that seeded the FA's financial autonomy to represent the full-time faculty in working conditions bargaining; and

Whereas, Debby loves and embraces technology such that she trains herself to adopt new, necessary tools including Zoom during the pandemic, generative AI for keeping minutes, and WorkDay to create spend authorizations, a process that initially required a 13 page instructional manual for faculty to use but that Debby refined down to 4 pages; and

Whereas, Debby is known for creating a little chaos around campus and in Classified Senate meetings—particularly protecting Christmas Eve as a day off and advocating for her classified colleagues who petition for advancement through the Classification Review process; and

Whereas, Debby Adler was selected to receive the Fall 2023 Outstanding Classified Employee Award and has been nominated for such an honor multiple times before; and

Whereas, Debby Adler is a dear, dear friend to many who work at MiraCosta College;

Resolved, that the Academic Senate of MiraCosta College recognizes Debby Adler for her significant contribution to faculty achievements through shared governance and thanks Debby for her expertise, excellent humor, and fierce dedication to the work and wellbeing of her colleagues; and

Resolved, that the Academic Senate of MiraCosta College, together with our Classified Professionals colleagues and Administration friends, hold Debby Adler in the highest honor and wish her the best in her future with her husband Steve in their retirement.