



American Graduation Initiative

The Iowa Proclamation

WHEREAS, President of the United States of America, Barack Obama, has set the goal for America that by 2020 “this nation will once again have the highest proportion of college graduates in the world”;

WHEREAS, President Obama has created the American Graduation Initiative to “reform and strengthen community colleges from coast to coast so that they get the resources that students and schools need”;

WHEREAS, President Obama has stated that “investment in community colleges is crucial because ‘jobs requiring at least an associate degree are projected to grow twice as fast as jobs requiring no college experience’ in coming years”; and,

WHEREAS, President Obama has challenged the community colleges in the United States to graduate five million graduates by the year 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE DO PROCLAIM AND RESOLVE that the Community Colleges of Iowa have, on this 30th day of July, 2009, in the city of Fort Dodge, Iowa, unanimously voted to accept President Obama’s challenge and do hereby commit to delivering, between the year 2010 and the year 2020, the sum of Community College graduates that represents Iowa’s proportion of the five million.

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