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EXECUTIVE COUNCIL RESOLUTION, FEBRUARY 26, 1976

WHEREAS, "A Proposal for Restructuring the City University of New York," dated February 19, 1976, has been submitted to the Board of Higher Education, and

WHEREAS, this Proposal would eliminate Hostos Community College, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, Richmond College and the Voorhees campus of New York City Community College; would convert Medgar Evers and York Colleges to community colleges, and would diminish the mission of New York City Community College, and

WHEREAS, the closing and conversion of university units, the consolidation of programs and other recommendations contained in the Proposal would substantially reduce the mission of the university, impair the integrity of the university and its units, curtail the quality and extent of educational opportunity, and jeopardize the jobs of members of the instructional staff, and

WHEREAS, the Proposal is an outrageous gesture of surrender to the forces that would destroy the City University and quality free public higher education in New York City,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Professional Staff Congress reaffirm its commitment to the integrity of the City University and its constituent units, and

That the Professional Staff Congress condemn--and commit all the resources at its disposal to defeat--the Proposal and any alternate proposal that may be devised with similar effects, and

That the union's efforts include the mobilization of a unified union front of the entire university instructional staff in opposition to the Proposal, a protest demonstration at the Board of Higher Education hearing March 8, a protest march on Albany March 16, joint efforts with and support of PSC chapters representing colleges directly affected by the Proposal, advertisements in the general media, and the marshaling of support for the union position among the general public, other unions, government officials and all of the City University community.