

Resolution in Honor of
Jeff Staudinger
Environmental Studies Faculty Colleague

WHEREAS, Jeff Staudinger, whose tragic loss will be felt by the thousands of students he touched, guided, and mentored and who will miss learning about earth stewardship and Environmental Resource Management, Pollution Prevention, and Sustainability from this very caring and knowledgeable faculty member at De Anza College, passed away too early on December 29, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Jeff Staudinger contributed greatly to the De Anza College community, the Biological, Health and Environmental Sciences Division, the Environmental Studies department, and the Career Technical Education Division as a faculty leader, CTE program manager, student and faculty mentor and advisor, and valued colleague from 2010-2023; and

WHEREAS Jeff Staudinger, who prior to becoming a faculty member at De Anza College, spent 20 years working in the public sector at numerous companies as a technical environmental management control consultant/manager and full-time employee at United Technologies and National Semiconductor as well as a government regulator for the Environmental Protection Agency; and

WHEREAS Jeff Staudinger, in addition to his lengthy and extensive work experience, inspired and ignited the passion of his students in the areas of Environmental Engineering and Environmental Resource Policy and Behavior by earning master's degrees from Virginia Tech and the University of Michigan; and

WHEREAS, Jeff Staudinger, a dedicated husband, father, and son, tirelessly rebuilt, relaunched, and managed the Environmental Resource Management and Pollution Prevention Program in 2014, a growing career education program whose graduates are making the planet a better place for future generations while being responsible earth stewards advocating for environmental sustainability; and

WHEREAS, Jeff Staudinger, a valued and trusted friend, colleague, sports fan, and passionate follower of the Philadelphia Eagles NFL football team, celebrated mightily as an official member of the "Bleeding Green Nation" when his Eagles won the Super Bowl in 2018 and then proceeded to make sure his colleagues were always well aware of this mighty accomplishment;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Academic Senate of De Anza College deeply mourns and respectfully honors our colleague Jeff Staudinger for his outstanding service and extraordinary contributions to De Anza College while leading his many students by example as a valuable steward of the environmental knowledge and expertise he bestowed upon them; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the De Anza College Academic Senate as a permanent record of the achievements of, and respect for one of De Anza's finest contributors and colleagues and that the original resolution be presented to the family of Jeff Staudinger with sincere sympathy and appreciation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Academic Senate officers of De Anza College pledge to work with De Anza College administrators, faculty and staff colleagues, and students of Jeff Staudinger to memorialize him in ways that will preserve his memory, legacy, dedication to students, and passion for environmental protection.