

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED 2/20/19 BY THE RVCC FACULTY FEDERATION

**WHEREAS** one of the constitutional purposes of the RVCC Faculty Federation is to advocate for better quality of life on campus for its members and non-members, including especially RVCC students; and

**WHEREAS** subsidies for driving, by undercutting the market for low-cost transit alternatives, impose the costly burden of increased automobile dependence; and

**WHEREAS** the setting aside of land for automobile parking increases the cost of housing; and

**WHEREAS** overuse of automobiles enhances a sedentary lifestyle and increases the incidence of costly chronic disease, and

**WHEREAS** all these factors contribute negatively to quality of life, both on and off campus, for Federation members and non-members alike, including especially RVCC students; and

**WHEREAS** public and private unions, many local, state and national organizations, as well as private businesses and corporations have taken up the mantle of solving quality of life issues and social responsibility issues through sustainability actions and proposals; and

**WHEREAS** the RVCC Faculty Federation actively supports social responsibility through sustainability;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the RVCC Faculty Federation will undertake, and urges the RVCC administration to undertake with us, the following measures to decrease total automobile dependence:

1. Work with local officials to promote the use of traffic signal *priority* devices in public transit vehicles; and
2. Promote public education on usage-based automobile insurance; and
3. Join with advocates across the nation who support increasing user fees for driving while earmarking same for public transit.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Federation continues to believe in, and will continue to endorse, those measures that will provide a better quality of life for its members and non-members alike, including especially RVCC students.