1	MEMBER BENEFITS
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3	WHEREAS, in the face of legal, legislative, and corporate attacks
4	on OCSEA members to collectively bargain, we must ensure that
5	members are engaged, activated, and informed about the union's
6	activities and benefits and remain committed to the union; and
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8	WHEREAS, when members understand the value of being in a
9	union, OCSEA is stronger in its fight for our members and the middle
10	class; and
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12	WHEREAS, OCSEA/AFSCME Local 11 members representing
13	state and local government employees who work in a variety of agencies
14	and institutions have varying needs for education and other
15	supplemental benefits; and
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17	WHEREAS, our membership has diverse needs for continuing
18	education on new advancements, or to build upon a member's expertise
19	in a given field; and
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21 WHEREAS, member-only benefits help assist our membership 22 and their families with their personal growth and make their communities 23 stronger. OCSEA knows that investment in our members creates a 24 stronger and more active voice for the middle class; now

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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that OCSEA/AFSCME Local 11 will continue to partner with institutions of higher learning such as Eastern Gateway Community College, Central State University (and other institutions) to offer free and/or reduced courses for our members and their family members; and

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32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we commit our union to join 33 and educate members about supplemental benefit arrangements for 34 "members only" such as free college, summer discounts, discount 35 insurance, purchasing power benefits and the like; and

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37 BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that OCSEA/AFSCME Local 11 38 leaders and staff will work to educate all membership about the benefits 39 of membership and the value of becoming an active member.

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