**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Session I

Date: May 31st , 2024

**03-01-74**

*Submitted by Stephanie Nehema, Social Responsibility Representative*

**BOARD BILL 03-01-74: An Act to Ratify the SESF’s Recommendation to Approve Funding for Installation of Bottleless Multi-Temperature Water Fountains in the amount of $1,000**

WHEREAS: The project aims to install two bottleless multi-temperature water fountains in the C-building to enhance students' life experience at Bellevue College; and,

WHEREAS: Currently, Bellevue College students only have access to water fountains dispensing cold water regardless of the season or weather, which can negatively impact students' digestion, especially considering certain cultural preferences for warm or hot water for drinking, and the potential health implications for students with respiratory conditions such as asthma or bronchitis; and,

WHEREAS: Continuously drinking cold water can cause the blood vessels around the stomach to constrict, affecting digestion and nutrient absorption, leading to indigestion, bloating, or discomfort after eating, and promoting inclusivity and accommodating various cultural practices is crucial in the diverse Bellevue College community; and,

WHEREAS: This project addresses issues of sustainability, social, and climate justice for Bellevue College and its community by promoting health-conscious and culturally inclusive practices,

WHERAS: By installing bottleless multi-temperature water fountains, the project reduces the single-use plastic waste associated with bottled water consumption, contributing to sustainability efforts on campus. Additionally, providing access to warm or hot water aligns with social justice principles by accommodating diverse cultural preferences and promoting inclusivity within the student body.

**THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE ASSOCIATED STUDENT GOVERNMENT OF BELLEVUE COLLEGE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

THAT: The Board of Directors approves the installation of two bottleless multi-temperature water fountains in the C-building to accommodate various cultural practices and improve the overall student experience at Bellevue College.

THAT: A copy of this bill be forwarded to Sara, Director of Office of Sustainability Julie Nguyen, ASG Secretary; and Stephanie Nehema, ASG Social Responsibility Representative.

**I, Sean Behl, President of the Associated Student Government of Bellevue College, do herby certify that Board Bill 03-01-74 was duly approved by the Board of Directors on 05/31/2024. I attest to the accuracy and authenticity of the contents of this bill.**

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| **Sean Behl****ASG President** |