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MOTION ON NOTICE

4. Cuts to Public Post Secondary Institution Funding (VanRIMS No. 01-5500-20)

MOVER: Councillor Raymond Louie

SECONDER: Councillor George Chow

WHEREAS at a March 12, 2008 meeting with the Minister of Advanced Education, public post-secondary institutions were advised that there would be cuts to the operating grants from the provincial government, and

WHEREAS Vancouver Community College and Langara College have been positive and important contributors to the social and economic conditions within Vancouver, and

WHEREAS Universities serving the Vancouver area work closely with these colleges, and are also facing untenable cuts, and

WHEREAS the prospect of cuts to the operating grants will seriously undermine the capacity of the Colleges and Universities to continue to play a vital role in our community.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Vancouver City Council write the Minister of Advanced Education and express its concern over the proposed cuts to operating grants for post-secondary institutions and the impacts that those cuts will have on affordability and access for students from this community and on the ability of public colleges to continue serving our community.

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