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Eric M. Alderete Joins Santa Ana College Foundation Board

(Santa Ana)—The Santa Ana College Foundation announces the addition of Eric M. Alderete of U.S. Bank National Association to its board of directors. The foundation is a registered non-profit 501(c)3 organization that raises funds to support the college and its students through the leadership of a 19-member board of directors.

"The Santa Ana College Foundation is honored to have outstanding local leaders such as Eric Alderete step up to support our students and the community," said Erlinda J. Martinez, Ed.D., president of Santa Ana College and member of the Santa Ana College Foundation Board of Directors.

Alderete, who resides in Santa Ana with his wife and two children, brings 12 years of legal experience to the foundation. He currently serves as vice president and senior corporate counsel at U.S. Bank National Association where he handles and manages a wide range of litigation. Previously, he was an associate with the law firms Mitchell, Silberberg & Knupp and Fulbright & Jaworski specializing in copyright and trademark litigation.

He is currently chair of the City of Santa Ana Planning Commission. In addition, he serves on the board of directors of the Hispanic Bar Association of Orange County. and previously served as a commissioner for the California Small Business Board.

Alderete, who completed his general education requirements in several California community colleges, received his Bachelor of Arts and Juris Doctor from the University of California, Berkeley, and his master's in city planning from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

The Santa Ana College Foundation is committed to ensuring that no student is denied educational opportunities due to financial constraints. The foundation strives to

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maintain, expand and enhance the educational opportunities at Santa Ana College and to link community organizations, businesses, funding sources, alumni and staff preserving "A History of Success, A Future of Promise." For more information on sponsorship opportunities, please contact the SAC Foundation at (714) 564-6091 or foundation@sac.edu.

About Rancho Santiago Community College District

The mission of the Rancho Santiago Community College District (RSCCD) is to respond to the educational needs of an ever-changing community and to provide programs and services that reflect academic excellence. Santa Ana College and Santiago Canyon College are public community colleges of RSCCD, which serve the residents of Anaheim Hills, East Garden Grove, Irvine, Orange, Santa Ana, Tustin and Villa Park. Both colleges provide education for academic transfer and careers, courses for personal and professional development, customized training for business and industry, and programs to train nurses, firefighters and law enforcement personnel.