



Student Financial Assistance for the 2009-2010 School Year

WHEREAS, the state of Illinois offers the need-based Monetary Award Program (MAP) grant through funds appropriated by the Illinois General Assembly each year to help Illinois students pay for tuition and mandatory fees at Illinois MAP-approved colleges and universities; and

WHEREAS, Monetary Award Program (MAP) students at colleges and universities will receive their full fall term awards and nothing for spring term; and

WHEREAS, Silas Purnell Illinois Incentive for Access (IIA) Program students will receive a \$250 award for fall term only and nothing for the spring term; and

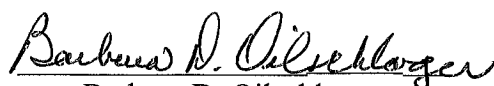
WHEREAS, Illinois Veteran Grant (IVG) Program will be reimbursed for summer term awards, but fall and spring terms will receive no funding; and

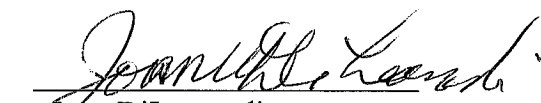
WHEREAS, college and university students stand to lose over \$200 million in student financial assistance through significant cuts to the MAP grant and IIA program funding; and

WHEREAS, community college student enrollment throughout the State of Illinois for the 2009 fall term has increased significantly and has already exceeded the total number of financial aid applications for all of the 2008-2009 school year;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Representatives of the Illinois Community College Trustees Association hereby urges the Illinois General Assembly and Governor Pat Quinn to commit to funding student financial aid programs at least at the FY 2009 levels .

Unanimously adopted on September 12, 2009.


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