WHEREAS, the University of the District of Columbia Board of Trustees seeks to reduce University operating costs through the implementation of a variety of cost savings measures throughout the University; and

WHEREAS, in March 2010, the University entered into a seventeen year lease agreement, of which there are twelve (12) years remaining; and WHEREAS, the identified lease payments for the remaining twelve years of the lease agreement total approximately $41,131,325, and estimated operating expenses for the remaining years of the lease total $24,000,000; and

WHEREAS, the University of the District of Columbia Board of Trustees Operations Committee, during its February 10, 2015 meeting, asked the Administration to develop a strategy for relocating the programs offered at 801 North Capital Street, NE to a University operated facility; and

WHEREAS, the Administration has considered the impact of this relocation on the academic programs and branch campus status, as well as the costs associated with continuing to operate the University of the District of Columbia Community College at the 801 North Capital Street, NE; and

WHEREAS, the administration preliminary estimates indicate that the estimated project costs will be between $12,300,000 and $17,000,000 with work estimated to be performed over a twenty four (24) to thirty eight (38) month period following approval of the recommendation; and

WHEREAS, the administration is recommending the relocation and consolidation of the Van Ness campus Library from Building #41 to Building #39; relocating the David A. Clarke Law School Library from Building #39 to Building #52, relocating the Community College Nursing programs offered at 801 North Capital Street, NE to the Backus Building and all remaining programs from 801 North Capital Street, NE to Building #41;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of the District of Columbia Board of Trustees hereby accepts the recommendation as set forth above and authorizes the administration to take all necessary actions required to develop phased construction documentation, confirm pre-design project costs estimates and proceed with implementing this relocation in a manner consistent with this resolution, governing procurement rules and regulations and all required reviews and approvals of the Board of Trustees.