QUEENSBOROUGH COMMUNITY COLLEGE

CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

Date: April 15, 2013
To: Dr. Emily Tai, Chairperson, Academic Senate Steering Committee
From: Philip Pecorino, Member, Academic Senate
Subject: Proposal for a College Policy Establishing College Ceremonies

The Committee on Ceremonial Occasions has been involved in a decision to include a ceremony for the inauguration of the President as part of the graduation ceremony in 2013.

Whereas; the QCC Academic Senate has neither created or endorsed any single ceremonial occasion as an official ceremony of the College set by Policy adopted by the Academic Senate, and

whereas, the Committee on Ceremonial Occasions at this time has no relevance to ceremonies that are not official College ceremonies, and

whereas, there are ceremonies that take place each year that are not college ceremonies as established by policy set by the Academic Senate, and

whereas, non-college ceremonies can be dispensed with by the administration at will, and

whereas, there are some ceremonies that the community may think so important that they should be held each year, with scope and dimensions set according to the resources the college has available to it, and

whereas, over time the Academic Senate may add to or delete from the list of official College Ceremonies set as College Policy, and

whereas, at this time there arises the occasion for the possibility of the College having one of academia's most significant ceremonial rituals,

be it therefore resolved, that the College will have the following as official ceremonies, understanding that the administration will provide for their size and arrangements as the budget and College resources permit:

- Graduation
- Inauguration
- Honors Convocation

INFORMATION: the Committee of the Academic Senate on Ceremonial Occasions has as its charge:
the Committee on Ceremonial Occasions shall:

   a. Be consulted on matters pertaining to ceremonial occasions.
   b. Report and recommend to the Academic Senate on matters pertaining to ceremonial occasions