**For a Full, Independent Investigation into the Death of College of Staten Island (CSI) Cafeteria Worker Corey Holmes**

**(Submitted by Jay Arena on behalf of the Department of Sociology and Anthropology, the Department of Psychology, and the School of Education)**

**Whereas**, the College of Staten Island Governance Plan, which we have mightily defended, states that “Everyone participating in the College community has important, legitimate, and respected roles and responsibilities in sustaining and furthering the goals of the College”, and therefore when anyone in our community has those rights violated, it is an assault on the rights of all; and

**Whereas**, November 29, 2021 marks ten years since long time CSI Cafeteria worker Corey Holmes died after an engagement with New York Police Department officers on the campus of the College of Staten Island; and

**Whereas,** the death of Corey Holmes on the CSI campus has never been independently investigated; and

**Whereas**, under the Memorandum of Understanding between the New York Police Department and the City University of New York, NYPD personnel are to only enter on CUNY campuses in “non-emergency” situations “[upon the request or approval of a CUNY official designated by CUNY as having authority to make such a request](file:///C%3A%5CUsers%5Cjaren%5COneDrive%5CDocuments%5Cactivism%5CNY%20activism%5CCSI%5CCorey%20Holmes%20case%20CSI%5CNew%20York%20Police%20Department)”; and

**Whereas**, the formation of the anti-racism collective at CSI was in part prompted by the summer 2020 mass protests against police murder, particularly of African Americans; therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that the CSI College Council calls for the President of the College of Staten Island use the college’s resources to hire an investigator(s) with expertise in civil and human rights, in conjunction with the College Council Executive Committee, to conduct a thorough investigation to determine the truth in the death of Corey Holmes.