QUINCY COLLEGE



For Immediate Release: April 18, 2017

Contact:

Taggart Boyle, Quincy College, 610-608-9913, <u>tboyle@quincycollege.edu</u> Katy Spencer Johnson, Quincy College, 617-984-1759, <u>kjohnson@quincycollege.edu</u>

Quincy College receives commendation from Quincy City Council



Suggested Caption: Quincy College recieved commendation from the Quincy City Council. Quincy College President Peter H. Tsaffaras (Center) accepts the commendation surrounded by Quincy City Councillors and Quincy College community members.

Who: Quincy College and Quincy City Council

What: Quincy City Council Commendation of Quincy College

When: Tuesday, April 18, 2017

Where: City of Quincy City Hall, Council Chamber

Details:

On Tuesday, April 18th Quincy City Council meeting, Education Committee Chair, Councillor Noel T. DiBona took to the floor to issue a commendation to Quincy College for its commitment to the community. In addition, Councillor DiBona offered congratulations to Quincy College on its most recent, outstanding news of being allowed to award baccalaureate degrees. In reflecting on Quincy College's recent growth, the college's history, and contribution to the South Shore, Councillor DiBona stated:

" I think we all know that Quincy College has grown by leaps and bounds in the last few years. At a time when others colleges are shrinking and contracting, it seems counter-intuitive that Quincy College is growing. The College is doing great things, and every day it attracts new people to visit Quincy Center. Interestingly, the College has become not only a local Quincy institution, but also a regional institution. The College has been in Quincy for almost 60 years, and just this year is celebrating the 25th anniversary of its campus in Plymouth."

Quincy College President Peter H. Tsaffaras was given the opportunity to speak briefly at the City Council meeting as well. President Tsaffaras further elaborated on the future outlook of the College and acknowledged Councillor DiBona's statement and the entire City Council's commendation of the college:

"We continue to innovate and build not only our physical spaces but continue to provide you, our community, with a best in class education that includes cutting edge programs and career pathways to successful careers. Increasingly, Quincy College has become not only a local institution, but a regional institution. We are proud to partner with the City of Quincy and Quincy schools, and provide a local pathway for our community."

"While I accept the accolades, my standing here today is really emblematic of the efforts put in everyday by the faculty and staff. At Quincy College we've reoriented the entire institution to be both student and learning centered, always focusing on the primacy of the teaching/learning relationship. We remain focused on teaching and learning by continuously expanding our resources and course offerings. Notwithstanding this factor we strive to be attuned to our workforce development needs," Tsaffaras elaborated.

###

ABOUT QUINCY COLLEGE

Founded in 1958, Quincy College is a two-year, municipally affiliated community college serving approximately 4,500 students at campuses located in Quincy and Plymouth, Massachusetts. Quincy College is an open access institution that encourages academic achievement and excellence, diversity, economic opportunity, community involvement, and lifelong learning. The College facilitates valuable learning relationships that inspire students to realize their educational and professional futures. The college offers 35 associate degree programs and 25 certificate programs in a variety of disciplines, including those within Professional Programs, Liberal Arts, Natural & Health Sciences and Nursing. The college is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, and is licensed by the Massachusetts Board of Higher Education to grant the degrees of Associate in Arts and Associate in Science. The college draws a diversity of students from the greater Boston area, South Shore, Cape and the Islands, as well as 121 countries around the world.

For additional information, visit <u>www.quincycollege.edu</u>