## **Letter of Intent**

My name is Angelica Ramirez and I'd like to run for the position of Senator at large. As a political science major, I believe that being given the opportunity to be appointed as a senator would supply me with a deeper understanding of the government and the responsibilities that come along with it. Being senator of my very own school would give me the opportunity to gain firsthand experience of the legislative process. Having such an important and significant responsibility would prepare me for the responsibilities I have yet to take on later in my career. Apart from the great experience it offers, I understand the responsibility that comes with such a position in helping every student feel welcomed and encouraged. In order for me to thrive in such a position, I bring leadership, strong communication, accountability, and the ability to form strong connections with others. The combination of all of these qualities will supply me with the skills that I need to uphold the duties that come with being a senator, ensuring that I am prioritizing communication and making the right decisions for the association as a whole. As the senator of Bakersfield College, I'd apply my best judgment to ensure that our school continues to allow developing opportunities to all students. When it comes to passing or vetoing any new legislation or ideas proposed, I'd make sure that what is being presented would have a positive impact on students. Besides new legislation, I'd focus my best judgment on budgets, ensuring that the budgets that are prioritized are dedicating money to important and productive ideas and events making an impact.

The responsibilities that come with being a senator highlight just how important it is for all schools, including Bakersfield College to have a student government. Having active students in such positions of power and authority allows for focused growth and impact. With student feedback and judgment, our school is able to make changes that make our campus a more enjoyable place for students and faculty. On top of that, students part of the government are supplied with opportunities of growth and a sense of belonging. The collaboration of students with administration supplies students with better communication skills along with a better understanding of the legislative process and responsibilities. This allows students to form connections and create a sense of belonging within the community. With this impact, we can make our school a more welcoming and encouraging place supplied with programs and organizations that specialize in securing the education and collaboration of students at Bakersfield college.