## STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR IMPERIAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE, AREA 4

ISABEL SOLIS Age: 49

Occupation: Academic Coach / Teacher

Education and Qualifications: Coming from humble beginnings and a first-generation college graduate and after 26 years in education in three Imperial Valley school districts, including 19 years at Brawley Elementary School District, I understand the importance and significance of education, proper and effective workforce training for career advancement in an evolving community and economy. I will use my experience having seen the changes and challenges our students and families faced and continue to need to adapt to. My life experience combined with my educational experience will allow me to best understand the current situation in our community where Imperial Valley College (IVC) plays an integral role for residents at different stages of their lives; from recent high school graduates to older adults seeking new career changes and opportunities for advancement. I gained my education locally; primary and high school in Brawley and I continued my post-secondary education by first attending Imperial Valley College (IVC), graduating with an AS in Social Science, then graduating with a BS in Criminal Justice Administration from San Diego State University, Imperial Valley Campus, where I also completed my teacher education courses. I hold a BCLAD Multiple Subject Credential and an Assistive Technology Specialist Certificate.

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