

RESOLUTION
 CONFERRING THE TITLE
 PRESIDENT EMERITUS
 SOUTHERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY
 TO
 MICHAEL J. ADANTI

July 16, 2003

WHEREAS, Michael J. Adanti retired on June 1, 2003 after serving admirably as a most effective and wise president of Southern Connecticut State University for nineteen years, and

WHEREAS, Michael Adanti began his relationship with Southern Connecticut State University as a student, graduating in 1963, and went on to serve the university as Assistant Dean of Students and Counselor for six years, Dean of Personnel Administration for two years, and Chief Executive Officer/Executive Vice President for one year during the extended absence of the President, and

WHEREAS, Michael Adanti held the position of Vice President for University Affairs for the Connecticut State University System for three years before his appointment as Interim President at Southern in 1984 and ultimately as the permanent President in 1985, and

WHEREAS, Michael Adanti demonstrated not only his personal growth as a leader but nurtured the maturation of the university itself, which thrived under his leadership, and

WHEREAS, Michael Adanti had a keen understanding of the strengths of the university and built upon those strengths by creating and supporting innovative new programs, using resources sensibly, and recruiting and working with outstanding faculty and staff to contribute to the university's success, and

WHEREAS, During his tenure, Michael Adanti positioned the university to be a preeminent institution of teaching and learning, developed unique initiatives to ensure that students have the tools they need to succeed as learners, and developed and implemented one of the first Doctorate in Education programs in the CSU System, and

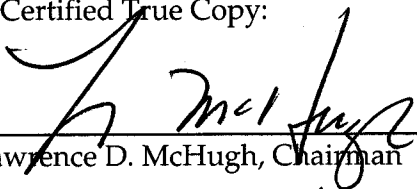
WHEREAS, Michael Adanti guided the largest and most comprehensive campus construction and renovation program in the history of the university, and embraced and integrated the concept of quality improvement in every aspect of university operations, and

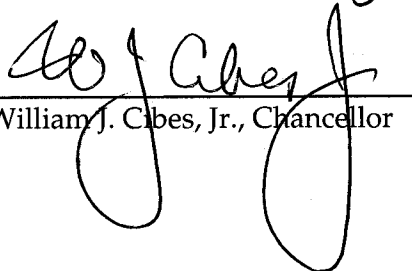
WHEREAS, Michael Adanti is highly regarded by all for his extraordinary interpersonal skills with individuals from all walks of life within and outside of the university community, has shown outstanding collegial and model leadership with the presidents of the sister universities of the CSU System, worked cooperatively with the System Office staff, and demonstrated his loyalty to the Board of Trustees and the CSU Chancellor, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System hereby extends its utmost appreciation to Michael J. Adanti for his leadership and outstanding service to the Connecticut State University System for more than thirty years, and extends its sincere and heartfelt best wishes for much happiness and success to him and his family as he pursues new interests, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees confers upon Michael J. Adanti the title, President Emeritus of Southern Connecticut State University, with all the privileges pertaining thereto.

A Certified True Copy:


Lawrence D. McHugh, Chairman


William J. Cibes, Jr., Chancellor