



RESOLUTION

in appreciation of

DR. J. PHILIP SMITH
as
INTERIM PRESIDENT
SOUTHERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY
JUNE 2003 – MAY 2004

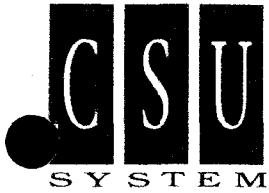
June 14, 2004

- WHEREAS, Dr. J. Philip Smith was appointed by the Board of Trustees to serve as Interim President of Southern Connecticut State University until a search was conducted and a new president appointed, and
- WHEREAS, The interim presidency of Dr. Smith capped thirty-eight years of distinguished service to Southern Connecticut State University, from Professor to Vice President for Academic Affairs, and
- WHEREAS, The interim appointment placed Dr. Smith in the unique position of following the footsteps of his father, J. Eugene Smith, who served as president of Eastern Connecticut State University from 1948 to 1966, and
- WHEREAS, Dr. Smith provided an atmosphere of collegiality and accessibility during the period of transition by demonstrating an outstanding ability to listen and be receptive to ideas, issues and concerns of the university community, and
- WHEREAS, Dr. Smith guided the university forward in a positive manner through the completion of the comprehensive master planning process, and
- WHEREAS, Dr. Smith served as a dedicated advocate for the university and engendered respect and admiration throughout the CSU community, therefore be it
- RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System expresses to Dr. Smith its deep appreciation for his loyalty, commitment and service over the past year and extends its wishes to him and his family for a happy and well-deserved retirement.

A Certified True Copy:


Lawrence D. McHugh, Chairman


William J. Cibes, Jr., Chancellor



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June 17, 2004

Dr. J. Phillip Smith
829 Hillcrest Road
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Dear Phil:

Enclosed is a resolution passed by the Board of Trustees on June 14, 2004 in recognition of your service as Interim President of Southern Connecticut State University.

I know I speak for all the members of the Board in expressing my appreciation for being such a good steward of the university this past year. It was very gratifying to know that Southern continued to move forward with the completion of the master plan and to maintain the fiscal stability that is so important during these critical budgetary times.

Again, my thanks and heartfelt best wishes to you and your family as you begin your well-earned retirement.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bill'.

William J. Cibes, Jr.
Chancellor

Enclosure