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RESOLUTION

concerning

DR. M. KATHLEEN MCGRORY
PRESIDENT

HARTFORD COLLEGE FOR WOMEN


October 5, 1990

WHEREAS, Dr. M. Kathleen McGrory, President of Hartford College for Women for the past six years has announced her intention to retire effective May 1991, and


WHEREAS, Dr. M. Kathleen McGrory has provided outstanding educational leadership both in the public and private higher education sectors of Connecticut, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees for Connecticut State University wishes her much success in her future endeavors and expresses sincere appreciation for the many distinguished contributions she made during her academic career as Professor of English at Western Connecticut State University, Dean of Arts and Sciences and Vice President for Academic Affairs at Eastern Connecticut State University, and President of Hartford College for Women.

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L. J. Davidson
Chairperson



Dallas K. Beal
President



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October 24, 1990

Dr. M. Kathleen McGrory
President
Hartford College for Women
1265 Asylum Avenue
Hartford, Connecticut

Dear Kathleen:

You will be a greatly missed personality on the Connecticut higher education scene. And, I want you to know, personally, how much both Kris and I admire what you have stood for over the years.

Best of everything as you step onto future pathways of opportunity.

Fondly,

Dallas K. Beal
President

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note of recognition
for her services
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you should
discuss it
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September 13, 1990

Dallas
Dear Colleague,

I wanted you to know, before you read it in the press, that I have made definite plans to retire at the end of the current academic year, May 1991. This is not earth shaking news, but I thought you deserved the courtesy of some advance notice.

We have shared exciting times together. Serving as a president in Connecticut higher education is never boring! I want to thank you now, before the actual fact of leaving eight months hence, for all you have done to support me as your colleague and for all you have done to assist the promising institution I will have headed for six years when I hand over its leadership in 1991. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Kathleen
M. Kathleen McGrory
President

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PLEASE NOTE THE DR. MCGRORY HAS ANNOUNCED HER RETIREMENT AS PRESIDENT OF
HCW EFFECTIVE THE END OF THE ACADEMIC TERM. BOT MAY WISH TO CONSIDER A
RESOLUTION. THANKS.

MIKE

Beth
I agree we should do
something from the BOT
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Hartford College For Women

1265 Asylum Avenue Hartford, Connecticut 06105

Press Release

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: 9/13/90

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The Trustees of Hartford College for Women and its Counseling Center announce the retirement of President, Dr. M. Kathleen McGrory. President McGrory is entering her sixth year with HCW and plans to serve the college through the current school year ending May 1991.

"The HCW Trustees accept and respect Dr. McGrory's planned retirement at the conclusion of the current academic year." states Anne S. Alvord, Board Chairperson. "As for future plans, Dr. McGrory has indicated that she intends to remain an active part of the Hartford community while returning to her first calling as an educator and a scholar." McGrory plans to work on continuing and eventually publishing 15 years of research on Arab, Christian, and Jewish scholarly collaboration in 12th century Spain, France, and Germany.

States Alvord, "I deeply admire Dr. McGrory's interest in pursuing her research on a full-time basis. This is an undertaking through which Kathleen's enthusiasm and vision can benefit a great number of people for many years to come."

"As I enter my sixth year with HCW," says McGrory, "I feel most confident that the institution's readiness for the future will enable it to continue serving, with strength, the more than 3000 women who access its various programs each year. It has been a privilege to be part of such a diverse and dynamic institution."

Dr. McGrory has been president of Hartford College For Women since July 1985. Before joining the College, she held two key positions at Eastern Connecticut State University, serving four years as vice president for academic affairs (1981-1985) and three years as the first dean to the School of Arts & Sciences (1978-1981). Prior to that she was a professor of English and comparative literature at Western Connecticut State University and the College of White Plains of Pace University in New York. During that time, she also was an adjunct professor of comparative literature at City College and Hunter College in the CUNY system.

Her special interests as a scholar have been in the areas of comparative medieval literature (legends of the Holy Grail) and modern Irish literature. She is the author of Yeats, Joyce, Beckett: New Light on Three Modern Irish Writers (Bucknell University Press, 1975) and the standard biographical essays on James Joyce, William B. Yeates, Sean O'Casey, James Stephens, Lady Gregory and John M. Synge in the McGraw-Hill Dictionary of Modern Biography (1976).

Since coming to Hartford, Dr. McGrory has been named director and executive member of the Hartford Hospital Corporation, a corporator of Saint Francis Hospital, and chairperson of the Board of Governors of the Hartford Consortium of Higher Education. She is a member of the Executive Committee of the Connecticut Conference of Independent Colleges and the Greater Hartford Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, the Chief Justice's Task Force on Gender, Justice, and the Courts assigned to study gender bias in the state's judicial system (1988-90), and the Board of Governors of the Old State House.

During the past two years, Dr. McGrory served as chair of the Commissioner of Education's Special Task Force to Study Rationale, Cost and Governance Structure of a Professional Standards Board which made its report and recommendations to the State Department of Education in February 1989. She is Vice President of the New England Junior, Community and Technical College Council, a member of the Board of Directors of Hartford Graduate Center and the Board of Directors of the Fidelco Guide Dog Foundation. In 1989 she was named to the Thomas Commission, the Governor's Task Force to Study the Management of State Government.

Dr. McGrory earned her Ph.D. at Columbia University and her masters at the University of Notre Dame. She received two honorary degrees, Doctor of Humane Letters, from Albertus Magnus College in 1982, and Doctor of Laws from Briarwood College (1990). She was named outstanding area woman leader by the YMCA of the Hartford Region in 1987.

"Given my ongoing desire to pursue my writing and to concentrate on other scholarly interests, it seems a good time to consider new directions.", says President McGrory. She plans to reside at her home in Holland, Massachusetts. " My most difficult task next May will be saying good-bye to a wonderful faculty, a most professional administrative and support staff, and the HCW alumnae and students whom I have come to know and admire. I am especially grateful to the many loyal friends of College and Counseling Center, who have supported us into our fifty-first year of service to the community and to our uncommonly dedicated Board of Trustees. No president could have been gifted with a more remarkable group of professionals."

In closing, Chairperson Alvord states: "Dr. McGrory's passion, power and poetry will continue to serve her, and our community, well as she chooses new ways to share her most considerable gifts. "Still," Alvord continues, "all at HCW will surely miss her vision, leadership abilities and charming interpersonal style which have benefited the college so greatly."



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DR. M. KATHLEEN MCGRORY

April 12, 1985

- WHEREAS, Dr. M. Kathleen McGrory has served the Connecticut State University faithfully and well as a teacher and as an administrator, and
- WHEREAS, In her present position as Vice President for Academic Affairs at Eastern Connecticut State University she has furnished inspirational leadership which has brought improvement to educational programs, and
- WHEREAS, Dr. McGrory is held in the highest esteem by the Trustees of the Connecticut State University, and
- WHEREAS, She has been appointed President of the Hartford College for Women, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the Trustees for the Connecticut State University congratulate Dr. M. Kathleen McGrory upon her appointment as President of Hartford College for Women, that they wish her well in her new assignment and that they reaffirm their respect and affection for her as a person.

A Certified True Copy:


 L. J. Davidson
 Chairperson


 James A. Frost
 President