



Connecticut State University System

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RESOLUTION

honoring

BERNICE CLARK NIEJADLIK

CHAIR EMERITA OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

for the

CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

December 11, 1998

WHEREAS, Bernice (Bunny) Clark Niejadlik passed away on December 1, 1998, and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Niejadlik distinguished herself as an educator for over 60 years as a teacher, administrator, trustee, and volunteer advocate, and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Niejadlik began her teaching career in 1930 following her graduation from Willimantic State Normal School in a one room school house in Pomfret, Connecticut, followed by service as a teacher from primary grades through secondary school, and

WHEREAS, She later received her Bachelor's Degree from Willimantic State College and her Master's Degree from the University of Connecticut with further study at UConn, Rhode Island College, and Clark University, and took positions as guidance counselor and director of guidance in Killingly and Waterford and as Director of the Quinebaug Valley Educational Research Center, and

WHEREAS, Her abilities and leadership resulted in further recognition as President of the Killingly Education Association and Connecticut Education Association, selection as a Director from Connecticut to the National Education Association, and as a representative of the NEA to the World Confederation of Organized Teaching Professions in Paris in 1964, and

WHEREAS, Ella Grasso, Secretary of State, recognized Mrs. Niejadlik's outstanding service and requested that she expand her service to the college level and serve on the new Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State College System in 1965, a position she held until 1977, and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Niejadlik served as Vice-Chair of the Board from 1965 to 1967 and as Chair from 1967 to 1977 distinguishing herself as a tireless advocate for the System and its four campuses and winning the recognition of the state executive branch and legislature, government agencies, and the educational communities throughout the state, and

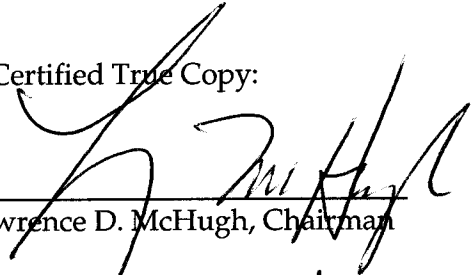
WHEREAS, Mrs. Niejadlik demonstrated a particular fondness for Eastern Connecticut State becoming a charter member and chair of that institution's foundation board, a tireless advocate for the school's alumni association, and a generous benefactor of the University, and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Niejadlik also distinguished herself in the public domain as a professional and volunteer in numerous capacities, including service as secretary of the Killingly Water Pollution Control Authority, incorporator of the Day Kimball Hospital, member of the Governor's Committee on Libraries, chair of the Board of Trustees of the Bugbee Memorial Library, boards of directors of the Windham County Office of Probation, Killingly Public Service Advisors Committee, and Killingly Crime Watch, and

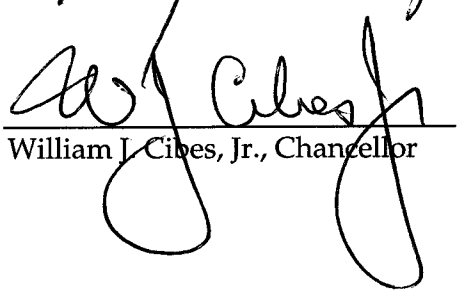
WHEREAS, The achievements of Mrs. Niejadlik have been recognized by numerous awards and citations including Who's Who of American Women, Who's Who in the East, Recipient of the H. Wallace Brook Humanitarian Award from the Danielson Lion's Club (first woman recognized), the Eastern Connecticut State University Distinguished Alumni Award and President's Medal for Service, the naming of a scholarship fund in her honor at Eastern, and a Doctorate of Humane Letters, Honoris Causa, from the Connecticut State University System in 1995, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System marks the passing of Bernice (Bunny) Clark Niejadlik by celebrating her numerous achievements all of which have contributed to the betterment of life for all Connecticut citizens and by offering condolences to her nephew, Paul B. Clark of Drexel Hill, Pennsylvania and niece, Virginia Hicks and family of Mohnton, Pennsylvania.

A Certified True Copy:



Lawrence D. McHugh, Chairman



William J. Cibes, Jr., Chancellor