RESOLUTION

concerning

NAMING OF BUILDING AT

EASTERN CONNECTICUT STATE COLLEGE

June 7, 1974

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WHEREAS, Dr. Wickware's contributions to the furtherance of science education and to the general growth, development, and spiritual integrity of the College are legion; and

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A TRUE COPY:

James A. Frost
Executive Secretary
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Enclosed please find proposed resolution, which J. Eugene Smith and I put together, to be presented to the Planning Committee and the Board of Trustees on June 7.

You may wish to tinker with the wording or form.

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Dear Edna,

Thanks for your very kind letter of transmittal of the board resolution. I sincerely thank you for your personal contribution to the well-being of the State college system. I shall look forward to continuing any ways it may be helpful and contribute to the work can progress.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Mrs. Bernice C. Niejadlik  
Chairman, Board of Trustees for State Colleges  
1280 Asylum Avenue  
Hartford, Connecticut  

Dear Mrs. Niejadlik,

I am honored by the resolution of June 7, 1974. It carried many warm and nostalgic feelings for me, not only for the many fine associations I have had with the Board, but for the many deeply satisfying relationships I have been privileged to develop with the children, young people and adults of this fine state over the past years.

The naming of the planetarium in my honor is deeply significant to me personally. From the times in Montana when stars were my only guide for getting home on a fenceless prairie to the first time I spotted Orion over Hiroshima's rubble in Japan and sensed that home was not far away, stars have been a basic part of my life orientation, both physical and philosophical. Such an orientation motivated much of my trying to help others gain some satisfying sense of the grandeur and unfolding mystery of the realm of stars and heavenly bodies. Hence I shall always treasure the thought that countless young people, children and adults may be helped to develop this sense of order and beauty that comes from a study and viewing of the heavens around us by means of the planetarium and the dedicated persons who direct each showing. I do thank you for the honor!

My years at Eastern have been full of the great joy of teaching and working in a goodly fellowship. In leaving the college I would surely want to honor the devotion and the time each of you as a member of the board gives to the furthering of the quality and availability of public higher education in Connecticut. It is a significant contribution!

I would bid all of you a most affectionate farewell.

Sincerely,

Robert K. Wickware  
Dean of Academic Affairs

cc: Dr. James Frost