RESOLUTION
concerning
CLASSROOM BUILDING AND RESIDENCE HALL
At
WESTERN CONNECTICUT STATE COLLEGE

February 2, 1979

WHEREAS, Certain persons have questioned the need for the construction of a classroom building and a residence hall on the west side campus for Western Connecticut State College, and

WHEREAS, The White Street campus is overcrowded causing classes to be held in junior high school facilities, whereas it has only 912 off-street parking spaces for 5,000 commuting students, and whereas each year a greater number of student requests for dormitory accommodations must be refused for lack of space, and

WHEREAS, Expansion of the White Street campus would result in even more difficult traffic conditions than now exist, would remove property from the tax rolls, and would be very expensive because of the high cost of land and the unstable subsoil conditions at that site, and

WHEREAS, The Fairfield County area is growing rapidly in population thereby placing new demands upon higher education institutions, and

WHEREAS, New business and industries are moving into the area, making use of the educational resources of the college as is reflected by the fact that presently employees from more than 150 companies are attending classes at the college, and

WHEREAS, After visiting Western Connecticut State College and studying its situation Governor Ella T. Grasso announced her continuing support for the construction of a classroom building and a residence hall on the new campus, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Trustees reaffirm that careful and continuous study of the situation has led them to the conclusion that the needs of students, of the region, and of Connecticut are best served by the construction of a classroom building and a residence hall on the new campus of Western Connecticut State College, and be it

RESOLVED, That the Trustees reaffirm their intent to phase out inadequate buildings on the White Street campus and to do so over a period of years thereby gradually shifting the educational programs to the new site, and be it

RESOLVED, That the Trustees express their deep appreciation to Governor Grasso for her firm support of the much needed construction on the new campus of Western Connecticut State College.

A Certified True Copy:
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Executive Director