RESOLUTION

honoring

VICTOR L. STONE

HEAD TENNIS COACH

at

CENTRAL CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY

May 4, 1990

WHEREAS, The men's tennis team of Central Connecticut State University experienced a serious traffic accident on the Bee Line Expressway near Orlando, Florida, on Friday, March 16, 1990 when an out-of-control automobile travelling at sixty-nine miles per hour crossed a median divider and struck the team's van, and

WHEREAS, All seven members of the team were injured, two of whom, Christopher Gaudreau and Scott Trevethan, required hospitalization for periods of two and three days respectively and one of whom, Alan Skowronek, remains comatose in the Intensive Care Unit of Orlando Regional Medical Center, and

WHEREAS, The members of the Central Connecticut State University women's tennis team, while escaping injury, were also on this trip and Coach Victor L. Stone's responsibility, and

WHEREAS, Coach Stone alone was responsible for meeting the needs of those injured and simultaneously comforting and assisting all team members in their grief and trauma for four days and in conjunction with Frank R.A. Resnick, responsible for continuing his assistance to the team members and the Skowronek family for five additional days, and

WHEREAS, Coach Stone conducted himself in a manner that can only be described as heroic and thoroughly professional and compassionate, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees for Connecticut State University extends its deepest thanks and its profound appreciation to Mr. Victor L. Stone, head coach of the men's and women's tennis teams at Central Connecticut State University for actions above and beyond the normal course of duties and for epitomizing those qualities and attributes at a truly traumatic moment which the Board of Trustees espouses and cherishes.

A Certified True Copy:

Dallas K. Beal
President
MEMORANDUM

To: Dallas K. Beal, President
    Connecticut State University

From: John W. Shumaker
      President

Dallas,

As you know, the University's men's tennis team was involved in a very serious automobile accident near Orlando, Florida on March 16, 1990. One, Alan Skowronek, remains in a coma.

Coach Victor L. Stone, under the most difficult of circumstances, performed in a truly outstanding manner.

I request that the Board of Trustees consider the attached draft resolution which recognizes Coach Stone for extraordinary service in the midst of tragedy.

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Attachment