RESOLUTION

concerning

NAMING OF FIELD HOUSE

at

WESTERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY

to

WILLIAM A. O’NEILL ATHLETIC AND CONVOCATION CENTER

November 2, 1990

WHEREAS, Governor William A. O’Neill has served the people of Connecticut during a long and distinguished career as member of the General Assembly, Lieutenant Governor, and Governor, and

WHEREAS, It was Governor O’Neill who supported and signed into being the legislation that in 1983 gave university status to the state college system and its campuses, and

WHEREAS, During his ten years as Connecticut’s chief executive, Governor O’Neill provided leadership in a host of areas including, in particular, elementary, secondary, and public higher education justifiably earning accolades as Connecticut’s "Education Governor," therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That in recognition of his dedication to the people of Connecticut and his leadership during long and eventful years the Board of Trustees of Connecticut State University is proud and honored to name the new field house at Western Connecticut State University the WILLIAM A. O’NEILL ATHLETIC AND CONVOCATION CENTER, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of Connecticut State University expresses to Governor O’Neill its appreciation for his lifelong commitment to public service and its best wishes to him and Mrs. O’Neill for happiness and fulfillment in the years to come.

A Certified True Copy

[Signature]

Lawrence J. Davidson
Chairman

An Equal Opportunity Employer
November 5, 1990

The Honorable William A. O’Neill  
Governor  
State of Connecticut  
Executive Chambers, State Capitol  
Hartford, Connecticut 06106

Dear Governor O’Neill:

I enclose a Connecticut State University Board of Trustees Resolution, naming the new field house to be constructed at Western Connecticut State University the WILLIAM A. O’NEILL ATHLETIC AND CONVOCATION CENTER.

I join with the Board of Trustees, and echo their sentiments, in expressing admiration and appreciation to you for the many advances Connecticut State University has achieved under your leadership. We are a stronger university, a more visible and dynamic institution in the service of the citizens of the state because of the commitment of your administration.

I write to you on the eve of this year’s election, amid the harsh political rhetoric that largely ignores the state’s progress under your leadership.

So perhaps, in closing, this bit of wit will give you a chuckle.

Leo Durocher was once booed for pulling out a pitcher in the eighth inning of a close ball game. A reporter asked after the game how he reacted to the crowd’s disapproval. Leo said, "Baseball, you know, is like church. Many attend, but few understand."

Know that you will not be forgotten by Connecticut State University.

Sincerely,

Dallas K. Beal  
President

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Enclosure

cc: Lawrence J. Davidson, Chairperson