RESOLUTION
amending

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE GRANTING OF HONORARY DOCTORATES
in the
CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

June 10, 1994

WHEREAS, Current policies and procedures for the granting of honorary doctorates within the Connecticut State University system have been reviewed by the Academic Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees and recommendations for changes have been formulated, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That Board of Trustees resolution 91-137 of September 6, 1991, is hereby repealed, and be it

RESOLVED, That the attached document, entitled: "Policies and Procedures for Granting Honorary Doctorates in the Connecticut State University system, June 10, 1994" is hereby adopted.

A Certified True Copy

Thomas A. Porter
Interim President
POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR GRANTING OF HONORARY DOCTORATES IN THE CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

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The purpose of granting honorary doctoral degrees is to honor a person and to advance the work and reputation of the Connecticut State University.

No person during his or her term as a member of the Board of Trustees and no person during his or her employment by the Connecticut State University shall be granted an honorary degree. No Connecticut resident holding elective office from a Connecticut constituency and no Connecticut resident holding appointive office in the legislative or executive branches of state government shall be considered for an honorary degree during the term of his/her election or appointment and for one year, thereafter.

Honorary degrees shall be granted only when circumstances warrant such action. It is possible that in some years no honorary degree will be awarded.

Identification of potential recipients of honorary doctoral degrees will be made under the supervision of campus presidents. The campus president himself/herself shall forward to the president of Connecticut State University the name of a potential recipient with an explanation as to why the individual merits the honor.

The president of Connecticut State University shall present the campus president’s recommendation to the Academic Affairs Committee together with his or her own recommendation.

Until this point there shall have been no communication either formal or informal with the prospective recipient about the possibility of receiving an honorary degree.

When the Academic Affairs Committee has given its approval to the awarding of the honorary degree, the campus president will ask the prospective recipient to communicate privately in writing his or her commitment to accept the honorary degree at a specific place, at a specific time, and at a specific ceremony, and, if requested, the commitment to deliver an address.

When a prospective honorary degree recipient confirms in writing his or her commitment to accept the offered degree at the specified time, place, and ceremony, and if requested, his or her commitment to deliver an address, the nomination will be presented to the full Board of Trustees for confirmation.
All honorary degrees will be conferred by the Chairperson of the Board of Trustees or by a Trustee designated by the Chairperson of the Board of Trustees; the following is the wording to be used when conferring the honorary degree: BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME, THE TRUSTEES OF THE CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM CONCURRING, I CONFER UPON YOU THE DEGREE, DOCTOR OF HONORIS CAUSA, AND INVEST YOU WITH ALL THE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES PERTAINING THEREUNTO. IN TOKEN THEREOF I HAND TO YOU THE DIPLOMA AND DIRECT THAT YOU BE VESTED WITH THE HOOD APPROPRIATE TO YOUR DEGREE.

The format of the diploma presented to the recipients of honorary degrees shall be approved by the Trustees. The hood to be worn by the recipients of honorary degrees shall be a design approved by the Trustees.