RESOLUTION

concerning

A UTILITY EASEMENT TO THE CONNECTICUT LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY (CL&P) IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE MIDTOWN CAMPUS OF WESTERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY

May 8, 1998

WHEREAS, Western Connecticut State University has initiated a capital project to upgrade the primary electrical service for the Midtown Campus located in Danbury, Connecticut, and

WHEREAS, The electrical service for the campus will be relocated from above ground to below ground in trenches, and

WHEREAS, The Connecticut Light and Power Company will install, maintain and repair the permanent electrical power service to the campus, and

WHEREAS, An easement must be granted to the Connecticut Light and Power Company in order to provide the service, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System grant a utility easement to the Connecticut Light and Power Company in conjunction with the Western Connecticut State University Midtown Campus primary electric service upgrade.

A Certified True Copy

William J. Cibes, Jr.
Chancellor
ITEM
Grant an easement to Connecticut Light and Power Company to provide permanent primary electrical service to the Midtown Campus of Western Connecticut State University.

BACKGROUND
The master plan envisions upgrading the physical environment of the University property from its present condition to more acceptable standards. In order to accomplish this goal, increased electrical service is required for each building on the Midtown Campus. Connecticut Light and Power (CL&P) has indicated to the university that the service is inadequate. In addition, every electrical engineer and contractor that has worked on the campus reminds the university of the need to refurbish the existing system.

In Spring 1997, Western Connecticut State University initiated a project to upgrade the primary electrical service at the Midtown Campus. CL&P will install the primary electrical service distribution and equipment necessary for a fully functioning system. In order to provide service to the distribution system, it is necessary to grant a property easement to CL&P for access to their equipment.

ANALYSIS
The electrical upgrade project is necessary in order to meet the existing and future needs of the university as well as bury an unsightly visual element. Problems are constantly occurring that require Western to expend operating funds to repair overextended equipment. The new underground primary service, related equipment and distribution will be installed, maintained and repaired by CL&P. In addition, the new electrical service will be relocated from above ground to below ground in trenches.

Board of Trustees approval is required to grant an easement to CL&P for the installation of the primary electrical service.

CHANCELLOR'S RECOMMENDATION
Approve granting a permanent easement to Connecticut Light and Power Company for electrical service at the Midtown Campus of Western Connecticut State University.