



THE COLLEGE OF THE CANYONS ACADEMIC SENATE

RESOLUTION TO DESIGNATE THE CANYON COUNTRY SCIENCE LAB BUILDING TO THE DON TAKEDA SCIENCE CENTER

Whereas,

The By-Laws of the Academic Senate include procedures for adopting resolutions in order to recommend policy or action to the Board of Trustees and the Chief Executive Officer (CEO), and in particular has recommended actions to the Board of Trustees for recognizing meritorious service of a faculty member, and Don Takeda continuously contributed to the college's success for 46 years, longer than any faculty member in the history of the college;

Whereas,

Don Takeda faithfully and effectively served College of the Canyons as an instructor in the Biological Sciences Department where he helped develop and establish a department and program of rigor and standards, taught most of the courses in the department, started the Biology Club, took students to professional meetings, prepped labs, established the COC Biology Foundation account, was elected the Department Chair for many years, initiated the naming of Boykin Hall, established the Boykin Scholarship, supported expanded course offerings like Molecular Genetics, supported field studies at Camp Tahquitz, established lead faculty coordinators, developed lab technical positions and organization, served on the hiring committees of Biology Faculty members Betty Rose, Susan Crowther, Greg Nishiyama, Jim Wolf, Miriam Golbert, Kelly Burke, Kelly Cude, Jeannie Chari, Dilek Sanver-Wang, Ricardo Rosales, AJ Almeda, and Erica Seubert;

Whereas,

Don Takeda gave exemplary service to the college such as, mathematics faculty, Faculty Association President during formation of the union, first collective bargaining, first contract, initiated chairs' workload release time, numerous committees-Curriculum, PAC-B, Safety, Technology, Accreditation, MLT Advisory, established the longest running COC committee-the Poker Committee, Academic Senate, Faculty Division Chair, contributed to the COC Foundation including monthly donations, scholarships, Library, Cougar Den, PAC seats, CCC Amphitheatre, University Center, Emeritus

scholarship, taught many COC community members including Trustee Michael Berger, Len Mohny, Collette Gibson, Mike Harutunian, Tina Rorick, Kristi Miura, and served numerous additional faculty and staff hiring committees, including Dr. Dianne Van Hook's; and

Whereas,

Don Takeda has worked relentlessly and significantly to improve and promote COC, was involved in bond measures C, M, and E, transitioned from the original portables at Valencia into Boykin Hall, helped in the planning and design and expansion of Biology into the Aliso buildings, served on the CCC advisory committee as a faculty and Canyon Country community member, moved into the initial CCC science portables, served on the CCC planning committee for the permanent science building, and plans to teach there in its inaugural semester Fall 2020 as a returning Adjunct faculty member;

Resolved,

That the Academic Senate of College of the Canyons along with the College of the Canyons Faculty Association, recognizing Don Takeda's extraordinary, significant, and distinguished service and commitment to the college, recommend to the Board of Trustees that the Canyon Country Campus Science Building be designated the Don Takeda Science Center at the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony.

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