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RESOLUTION

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THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
at
EASTERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY
IN HONOR OF FORMER STATE REPRESENTATIVES
FREDERICK A. GELSI AND LESLIE T. YOUNG

February 1, 2002

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WHEREAS, The Honorable Leslie T. Young (R) represented the people of the 143rd House District comprising New Canaan and Wilton as their State Representative from 1984 until the date of his death, March 21, 1996, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gelsi served the General Assembly as a member of the Labor Committee and Chair of the Family in the Workplace Committee. In addition, he was a member of the Finance, Revenue, and Bonding Committee and Transportation Committee, and served with distinction as the Chair of said Bonding Subcommittee, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Young served the General Assembly as a member of the Finance, Revenue, and Bonding, Transportation, Energy, and Technology, and Commerce Committees, and served with distinction as the House Republican Ranking Member of said Bonding Subcommittee, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gelsi and Mr. Young were instrumental in championing the development of much of the state's infrastructure through their judicious and energetic stewardship as Chair and House Republican Ranking Member respectively of the Bonding Subcommittee of the Finance, Revenue, and Bonding Committee of the Connecticut State General Assembly, and

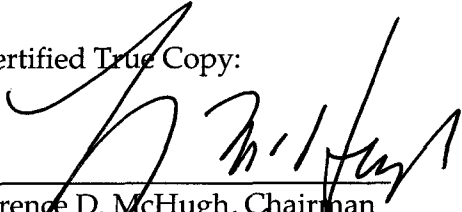
WHEREAS, Mr. Gelsi and Mr. Young were instrumental in developing capital projects for institutions in the Connecticut State University System, and were particularly instrumental in obtaining planning authorization and final approval for the new Administration Building at Eastern Connecticut State University, and

WHEREAS, The service of both Mr. Gelsi and Mr. Young as legislators in general and as ranking members of the Bonding Subcommittee in particular was characterized by a bipartisan spirit which transcended party affiliation to serve the interests of all the people of Connecticut, and

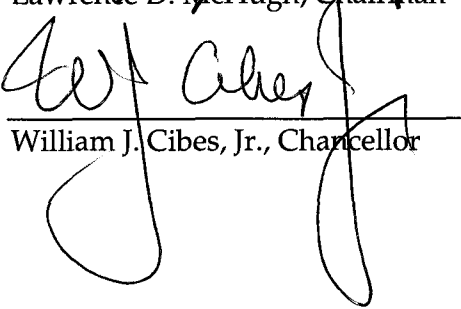
WHEREAS, President David G. Carter has endorsed the nomination of Mr. Gelsi and Mr. Young as recommended by the Eastern Building and Facilities Naming Committee, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System hereby designates the forthcoming Administration Building at Eastern Connecticut State University to be known now and hereafter as Frederick A. Gelsi and Leslie T. Young Hall.

A Certified True Copy:



Lawrence D. McHugh, Chairman



William J. Cibes, Jr., Chancellor

ITEM

Naming the Administration Building at Eastern Connecticut State University

BACKGROUND

The Board of Trustees has the sole authority to provide for the naming of facilities and programs of the Connecticut State University System. A formal policy was approved and implemented in 2001 specifying the criteria to be met for consideration of recommendations for naming from the president of the university

ANALYSIS

The president of Eastern Connecticut State University has requested that the new administration building, currently under construction, be named in honor of former state representatives, Frederick A. Gelsi and the late Leslie T. Young. In his request, President Carter provides ample justification for his recommendation, citing the outstanding leadership of Mr. Gelsi as Chair and Mr. Young as House Republican Ranking Member of the Bonding Subcommittee of the Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee of the Connecticut General Assembly. In particular, they put aside partisan politics and worked tirelessly to improve the infrastructure of the universities and administered the Bonding Subcommittee with fairness and vision. Mr. Gelsi and Mr. Young were especially instrumental in obtaining planning authorization and final approval for the new administration building.

The request meets the criteria established in Board policy with regard to naming a facility for a non-donor and former state employee.

CHANCELLOR'S RECOMMENDATION

Approve the request to name the administration building at Eastern Connecticut State University in honor of former state representatives, Frederick A. Gelsi and Leslie T. Young.



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December 19, 2001

Dr. William J. Cibes, Jr.
Chancellor
The Connecticut State University System
39 Woodland Street
Hartford, Connecticut 06105

Dear Dr. Cibes:

Please reference my letter dated September 20, 2001 which I request be rescinded. It is my pleasure to recommend the naming of the forthcoming administration building at Eastern Connecticut State University after former State Representatives Frederick A. Gelsi and Leslie T. Young. This recommendation, amending the committee's recommendation dated October 16, 2000, has been unanimously voted by members of the University's Building and Facilities Naming Committee following their deliberations and reconsideration of the earlier action.

It is important to note that this building, currently under construction, was made possible only through the outstanding leadership of these two gentlemen who were instrumental in improving significantly the physical plants of the four CSU institutions.

Shirking partisan politics, both worked tirelessly to improve the infrastructure of our campuses and administered the Bonding subcommittee of the legislature with fairness and vision. It is quite appropriate that the recommendation of the committee be adopted, and I tender my wholehearted endorsement.

A draft resolution for Board of Trustee approval is enclosed for your consideration. I am requesting that this resolution be presented for the February Board meeting.

Sincerely,

David G. Carter
President

c: Dr. Joan Meznar, Co-Chair, Building and Facilities Naming Committee
Dr. Michael Pernal, Co-Chair, Building and Facilities Naming Committee



Note to file:

On November 7, 2002, the resolution was edited by Eastern to clarify the committees each served on and other minor technical changes. This was done in order to have the resolution reprinted, signed and sealed for presentation at the dedication of the building on December 2, 2002.

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