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AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION

concerning

Buildings at Central Connecticut State College

March 10, 1972

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees for the State Colleges hereby authorizes Central Connecticut State College to name its new library building the Elihu Burritt Library and that the former library building, which will be used as a classroom facility, be named for Emma Hart Willard upon the removal of the Library to its new quarters.

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CENTRAL CONNECTICUT STATE COLLEGE
New Britain, Connecticut

Office of the President

February 22, 1972

Dr. J. Eugene Smith, Executive Secretary
Board of Trustees for State Colleges
80 Pratt Street
Hartford, Connecticut

Dear Gene:

This is to request that you place another item on the agenda for the Planning Committee for their meeting on February 24, namely a request for the naming of a building on the campus of Central Connecticut State College.

It is my recommendation that the name Elihu Burritt which was given to the building which now houses our Library, be transferred to the new Library building. We feel it most appropriate to maintain the name of Elihu Burritt for the building which houses the Library, thus the request for this transfer.

The building which now bears the name of Elihu Burritt will, after the Library has moved out, become a classroom building, as well as continuing to house our Audio Visual and Television Production areas.

I am recommending that the name Emma Hart Willard be given to this building.

Emma Hart Willard (1787-1870), the most famous of 19th century female educators, was born in Berlin, Connecticut. In 1821, already well known in the field of female education, she founded the Troy Female Seminary in Troy, New York which in due time became a model for other female seminaries to follow. She evolved new methods of teaching Geography and History, and published Geography and History textbooks which won immediate recognition and were widely used. She trained hundreds of

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teachers who were sent into the South and West where they carried the message of female education. She also worked closely with Henry Barnard in the cause of improved common schools.

We at Central believe the name Emma Hart Willard would be most appropriately given to this building on our campus, and would so recommend it to the Planning Committee and the Board of Trustees.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,



F. Don James
PRESIDENT

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