

RESOLUTION

awarding

THE TITLE OF HONORARY PROFESSOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

to

CONGRESSWOMAN NANCY L. JOHNSON

by

CENTRAL CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY

May 7, 1999

WHEREAS, Congresswoman Nancy L. Johnson has given distinguished service to the City of New Britain, the State of Connecticut, and the nation since 1976, and

WHEREAS, Congresswoman Johnson has become a highly influential member of the United States Congress, serving on many important and prestigious committees and is a nationally recognized leader in health care reform, and

WHEREAS, Congresswoman Nancy L. Johnson, having spoken at several major University events, guest lectured to classes from time to time, and having served as a staunch supporter of Central Connecticut State University throughout her career, is highly deserving of this honor with which she can further share her insights about the political process with the students of the university, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That Congresswoman Nancy L. Johnson be named an Honorary Professor of Political Science at Central Connecticut State University without remuneration and be accorded all the rights and privileges pertaining thereunto throughout her lifetime.

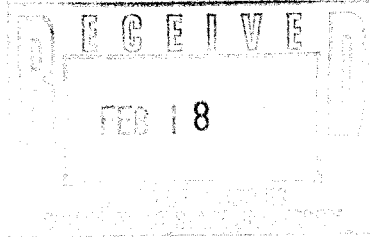
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. William J. Cibes, Jr.
Chancellor, Connecticut State University System

FROM: Richard L. Judd 
President

DATE: February 11, 1999

SUBJECT: Honorary Professorship for Congresswoman Nancy L. Johnson

Bill,

I would like to award the title of "Honorary Professor" to Congresswoman Nancy L. Johnson. Congresswoman Johnson, herself from New Britain, has left an indelible mark on the City of New Britain and the State of Connecticut. She served in the Connecticut State Senate for three terms beginning in 1976. She was elected to Congress in 1982 to represent Connecticut's Sixth Congressional District and is currently serving her ninth term in that office.

Congresswoman Johnson has become a highly influential member of Congress, serving on many important and prestigious committees and bringing to fruition several pieces of legislation that have altered, for the better, the lives of many American citizens. The New Yorker magazine of 10/96 called her "Johnson...arguably the most powerful woman in the House." Her career in public service is nothing less than phenomenal and unprecedented.

I enclose a biographical statement on Congresswoman Johnson for your review, and I ask that you present this request to the members of the Board of Trustees for their approval. If you have any questions regarding this, do not hesitate to contact me.

Thanks for your assistance.

Enclosure

Congresswoman Nancy L. Johnson was first elected in 1982 to represent Connecticut's Sixth Congressional District. In 1998, the voters of the Sixth District overwhelmingly re-elected Johnson to serve a ninth term in Congress.

Reducing taxes, saving Social Security, improving education and health care are at the top of Johnson's legislative agenda for the 106th Congress. She is a founding member of the Republican Housing Opportunity Caucus to promote affordable housing, and has joined other moderate members to form a Republican task force on education.

In 1991, Johnson co-founded a group of House moderate Republican members, known as the Tuesday Lunch Bunch, to enable moderate Republicans to have greater influence within their caucus. The group's influence was evident on many issues in the 105th Congress, including support for tougher environmental legislation, campaign finance reform, and maintaining the historic balanced budget agreement.

In 1988, Johnson became the first Republican woman ever named to the powerful Ways and Means Committee, and now is the fifth-ranking Republican on the Committee. The Committee is responsible for the nation's tax code, trade policy and such important social programs as Medicare, Social Security, and welfare. In January 1999, she became the chairman of the Subcommittee on Human Resources, and has the distinction of being the first woman to chair a Ways and Means subcommittee.

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The New Yorker, 10/96

Through her work on the Ways and Means Subcommittee on Health, Congresswoman Johnson has become a nationally-recognized leader in health care reform. In 1991, Johnson founded the House Republican Task Force on Health Care and introduced comprehensive health care reform legislation to control costs and assure universal access to affordable care.

As the former chairman of the Ways and Means Oversight Subcommittee, Johnson steered the development of the Taxpayer Bill of Rights II, legislation that includes more than 30 new protections for taxpayers. The bill was approved unanimously in both the House and Senate, and signed into law in 1996.

Among Johnson's greatest achievements was her successful fight to guarantee health insurance to millions of children throughout America by working with Democrats and Republicans to get the Children's Health Care Bill passed and signed into law.

Nancy Johnson's political career began when she ran for the Connecticut State Senate in 1976, becoming the first Republican elected to the New Britain seat in 30 years — a seat she held for three terms. Prior to seeking elective office, she was active in community affairs in New Britain.

Johnson, born in Chicago and a graduate of Radcliffe College, is married with three daughters.

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*will be ready on Wednesday.
Hold for Murphy.*

TO: Maureen Murphy

FROM: Becky Amberg, Associate for Board Affairs

DATE: March 19, 1999

FAX # **Number of Pages (including cover): 5.**

Please forward to the appropriate person the attached draft resolution and staff report naming Nancy L. Johnson as Honorary Professor at CCSU. I have noted where additional language is needed, and included a copy of a similar resolution which was done for Governor O'Neill in 1997 as a guide. I have also included Dr. Judd's memorandum making the request.

Dr. Judd does not make any reference to whether she is to be an honorary professor of a specific discipline or if any other university body is involved in the recommendation.

If this is to be approved at the April 8 Board meeting, it will need to be included in the agenda for the Finance and Administration Committee which will be mailed next Thursday.

Please call me if you have any questions.

ITEM

Awarding the title of Honorary Professor of Political Science to Congresswoman Nancy L. Johnson by Central Connecticut State University

BACKGROUND

Pursuant to Board Resolution #89-128, the title of Honorary Professor may be awarded from time to time to individuals who make substantial contributions to a university freely and willingly without compensation. The Honorary Professor title remains with the recipient for life, although it is not accompanied by compensation, emolument, or perquisite.

ANALYSIS

Congresswoman Nancy L. Johnson has served the City of New Britain, the State of Connecticut, and the nation with distinction since 1976. She is currently serving her ninth term representing Connecticut's Sixth Congressional District. During that time, she has served on many important and prestigious committees and brought to fruition several pieces of legislation that have had a significant impact on the lives of many citizens.

Congresswoman Johnson has spoken at several major university events, guest lectured to classes from time to time, and served as a staunch supporter of Central Connecticut State University throughout her career. As an honorary professor of Political Science, she can further share her insights about the political process with the students of the university.

CHANCELLOR'S RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Congresswoman Nancy L. Johnson be awarded the title of Honorary Professor of Political Science at Central Connecticut State University.