

## University Senate of Humboldt State University

### Resolution of Appreciation for and Commendation of Dr. John Travis

#20-12/13-EX – February 5, 2013

**WHEREAS**, John Travis spent a significant portion of his professional career at Humboldt State University (HSU)—from 1970 to 2007—as a valued and respected teacher in the Department of Political Science, including serving as a highly effective Department Chair from 1997 through 2000; and

**WHEREAS**, John has made significant contributions to faculty governance, including multiple terms as a member of the HSU Academic Senate, including outstanding service as Senate Chair—from 1993/94 through 1996/97—where his performance went above and beyond the ordinary demands of the job; and

**WHEREAS**, John served with distinction as HSU’s California Faculty Association (CFA) Chapter President from 1999 through 2002 and on the CFA’s Board in several capacities, including President from 2003 to 2007, Chair of the Bargaining Team, Chair of the Political Action-Legislation Committee and Liaison to the Academic Senate of the California State University (ASCSU); and

**WHEREAS**, The HSU and the CFA faculty, administrators, students, and staff who have worked with John have greatly benefited from his knowledge, diligence and deep commitment to higher education and the role of shared governance; and

**WHEREAS**, By consistently emulating the highest standards of professionalism, dignity and integrity, while fiercely defending faculty rights, John has proven a powerful and effective standard-bearer for the principles of shared governance during exceedingly challenging times for the CSU and higher education as a whole; and

**WHEREAS**, through his exceptional communication and leadership skills, John has served as an example and inspiration to numerous fledgling colleagues who acknowledge and appreciate his important contributions to their professional careers, including many HSU current and former Academic Senators, HSU Chapter & CFA Board Members, ASCSU senators, and the current Faculty Trustee of the CSU; therefore be it

**RESOLVED**: That the University Senate of Humboldt State University (USHSU) offers its deepest appreciation to and commends Dr. John Travis for his extraordinary contributions to Humboldt State University, the California State University and the cause of higher education; and further be it

**RESOLVED**: That the USHSU expresses its heartfelt gratitude and respect to John Travis for his tireless labor and devotion to the role of shared governance within Humboldt State University, the California Faculty Association, and the California State University.

Passed Unanimously by Senate Executive Committee – February 5, 2013

Endorsed Unanimously by University Senate – February 12, 2013