



Commendation of President Lynnette Zelezny
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Whereas, President Zelezny

- Throughout her presidency at CSUB has maintained this was her “dream job” and she has had an unwavering commitment to the Central Valley;
- With her appointment, she was the first female President at CSUB, and her appointment resulted in a majority of female Presidents in the CSU;
- Met with the Academic Senate in the semester prior to assuming the presidency and had already memorized every senator’s name, even before meeting them for the first time;
- Was an indefatigable champion for CSUB in the community and beyond as well as an entertaining, informative and inspiring public speaker;
- Is unfailingly kind and supportive of others and a true mentor to many;
- Is generous with her time, her spirit and her pocketbook;
- Is inclusive of all, particularly of students, as evidenced by her constant reminders that Walk and Talks are primarily for students;
- Has consistently demonstrated the integrity to do what she believes is right, no matter how difficult it may seem at the time;
- Led CSUB through the pandemic and into virtual operations and back again with grace and understanding;
- Is known as a leader and role model among the other CSU presidents;
- Is the President of the Big West Conference;
- Has been a lecturer, professor, department chair, and associate dean, dean, associate vice president, associate provost, provost, and president during her CSU career;
- Has been an active attendee, including providing the President’s report at most Academic Senate meetings.

Be it resolved that,

- The Academic Senate bestow upon her the title of “Honorary Senator”;

Be it further resolved that,

- The Academic Senate wish her and her husband, John, all the best in their retirement;
- It be declared December 7th, 2023 as Lynnette Zelezny Day at the Academic Senate.

Approved by the Academic Senate: December 7, 2023

Sent to the President:

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