

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, BAKERSFIELD
ACADEMIC SENATE

Commendation of John Dirkse
RES 171829

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Whereas: Dr. John Dirkse is approaching retirement after 38 years of dedicated service to CSUB; and

Whereas: Dr. Dirkse has served as a valued and admired teacher, scholar, and academic administrator; and

Whereas: Professor Dirkse sparked interest in his classes with experiences such as an acoustical analysis of the Kennedy assassination; and

Whereas: Professor Dirkse was selected by his campus peers as outstanding teacher of the year and was selected by his department to give seminars to junior faculty on effective teaching practices; and

Whereas: Director Dirkse handled scheduling and PeopleSoft implementation issues with good will, energy, and patience; and

Whereas: Director Dirkse put in long hours and took it upon himself to gather data to support decision-making regarding scheduling and academic policies; and

Whereas: Director Dirkse made invaluable contributions to the work of the Senate via his insights and analysis; and

Whereas: John also distinguished himself as an athlete, including during a stint as a member of the Professors soccer team; and therefore be it

Resolved: That the CSUB Academic Senate express appreciation for Dr. Dirkse's many contributions during his service to CSUB; and be it further

Resolved: That the CSUB Academic Senate wish John, Linda, and their children and grandchildren all the best as he opens the next chapter of his life.

Approved by the Senate May 10, 2018

Sent to the President May 29, 2018

Approved by the President May 31, 2018