

Faculty Senate Resolution 2004-05-09

Whereas, David Allen Banks, Professor of Biology, has served as a member of the Faculty of the Christopher Newport University Department of Biology, Chemistry and Environmental Science for thirty-five years, from August, 1970, through his retirement at the close of the spring semester, 2005; and

Whereas, In this time and as a thoughtful and effective teacher and mentor, Professor Banks has contributed with imagination, diligence, and care to the growth of his students, and has, moreover, served his department and his University as department chair, as the moving force behind the creation and development of the major in ornamental horticulture, as the initiator and promoter of the CNU greenhouse, and as the person most responsible for the landscaping and appearance of this campus in its early years; and

Whereas, Professor Banks has rendered valued and extensive service to the local and regional horticultural communities, most notably through his training of numerous successful students, his diversity of talks and workshops, and his expertise as a consultant; and

Whereas, Professor Banks is recognized by his colleagues as exemplifying the finest characteristics of the academic profession; and

Whereas, In light of such selfless service and noteworthy achievements, his retirement from the Faculty of Christopher Newport University has caused the Department of Biology, Chemistry and Environmental Science, the Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, the Faculty Senate, and the Provost of the University to recommend that his long professional association with Christopher Newport University be continued beyond the date of his retirement; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Visitors of Christopher Newport University hereby confers the title of Professor *Emeritus* upon

~ David Allen Banks, B.S., M.S., Ph.D. ~

with all rights, honors, and privileges attendant to such status.