Faculty Senate Resolution 2007-08 for Dr. Phillip F. Hamilton SCHEV Outstanding Faculty Award Nominee Christopher Newport University

Whereas Dr. Hamilton has developed a national and international reputation as a scholar of the History of the Commonwealth of Virginia and has established an impressive record of scholarship comprising a seminal study of American Revolution era Virginia and multiple articles and papers, and

Whereas the high quality of Dr. Hamilton's scholarship is well attested to by his peers in the field, who have described his work in published reviews as "excellent," "an important contribution to understanding the dynamics of leadership and family life in Virginia," and a "thoughtful analysis... [that] adds to our knowledge of the social, economic, and political landscapes of the Old Dominion," and

Whereas Dr. Hamilton expertly integrates his scholarship into his teaching by crafting thoughtful and informative courses that inspire his students to develop a passion for learning and for understanding the history of Virginia, as evidenced by his consistently outstanding student evaluations, and

Whereas Dr. Hamilton has expertly mentored his students for graduate school and for service to the Commonwealth, with many of his students subsequently working in the Commonwealth's museums, teaching at the Commonwealth's high schools, and attending some of the Commonwealth's leading research universities, and

Whereas Dr. Hamilton's commitment to the university, his colleagues, and his discipline is evidenced by his effective service as Chairman of the History Department, as Chair of the Liberal Learning Committee, as Co-Chair of the Undergraduate and Graduate Research Council, as Chair of CNU's Jamestown 2007 Quadricentennial Committee, and as an active member of many additional university and departmental committees, and

Whereas Dr. Hamilton's dedication to the Commonwealth of Virginia and this nation is evidenced by the significant time that he devoted to the Jamestown 2007 Celebration as the organizer of a preeminent speaker series and as an invited public speaker,

Therefore let it be resolved that the Faculty Senate of Christopher Newport University recognizes and commends Dr. Phillip F. Hamilton's contributions as a teacher, scholar, and colleague and deems him a highly meritorious and esteemed member of our academic community.