

**The Board of Visitors
of
Christopher Newport University
April 29, 2002**

Resolution

Whereas, John Richard Guthrie, Jr., Professor of German and French, has served Christopher Newport University with singular dedication and unswerving commitment for thirty-five years, from 1967 through his retirement at the close of the 2001-2002 academic year; and

Whereas, In this time, Professor Guthrie has contributed to the growth of his students as both a provocative teacher and a caring mentor; to the evolution of his department through his leadership in the creation and development of the curriculum in German and through his nine years of service as Chairman of the Department of Modern and Classical Languages and Literatures; to the conduct of the academic affairs of his University through his thoughtful and selfless participation in its organs of governance; and to the well-being of his discipline on the Virginia Peninsula and throughout the Commonwealth and the nation as an effective leader in professional organizations and as an articulate voice for the value of the study of languages in modern society; and

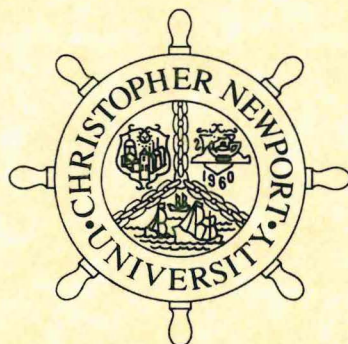
Whereas, Professor Guthrie is recognized by his colleagues as representing the finest characteristics of the academic profession; and

Whereas, In light of such service and accomplishments, his decision to retire from the Faculty of Christopher Newport University has caused the Department of Modern and Classical Languages and Literatures, 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

John Richard Guthrie, Jr., A.B., M.A., Ph.D.

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



Robert L. Freeman, Rector

Paul S. Tribble, Jr., President