A Resolution of
The Board of Visitors
of
Christopher Newport University
May 9, 2011

Award of Emeritus Status

Whereas, Dr. Joseph Healey, Professor of Sociology, has served Christopher Newport University with singular dedication and effectiveness from 1969 through his retirement in May 2011; and

Whereas, in this time and with unswerving devotion to his students, his colleagues, the University and his discipline, Dr. Healey has been an inspiring mentor, a valued and highly respected colleague and member of the academic community; and

Whereas, Dr. Healey has served as Chair of the Department of Sociology and Anthropology, during which time he was instrumental in the development of numerous programs, including the development of a Criminology Concentration and an Anthropology Concentration and minor, and has been instrumental in developing many of the course offerings, especially in the areas of statistics, research methods, and race and ethnic minorities; and

Whereas, Dr. Healey has been involved in recruiting and increasing the Department of Sociology and Anthropology from a department of two faculty members to a department of nine faculty members with nearly two-hundred majors and minors whom he has tirelessly helped to mentor and support; and

Whereas, Dr. Healey was honored internationally as a Fulbright Scholar and given the opportunity to teach his Minorities and Society course in the Ukraine; and

Whereas, Dr. Healey has published several highly regarded research articles and books in the field of sociology, including Statistics for Social Research, which is hailed as one of the best statistic books on the market, and Race, Ethnicity, Gender and Class: The Sociology of Group Conflict, which was honored nationally by the Text and Academic Authors Association with a 2007 "Texty" Textbook Excellence Award; and

Whereas, Dr. Healey served for twenty years as faculty representative for the local chapter of the Alpha Kappa Delta International Honors Society, and is currently serving as President of the Alpha Kappa Delta International Honors Society, and

Whereas, in the light of such service, scholarship and accomplishment, his decision to retire from the Faculty of Christopher Newport University has caused the Department of Sociology, Social Work and Anthropology, the Dean of the College of Social 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

~ Joseph Healey, B.A., M.A., Ph.D. ~

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

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Paul S. Trible, Jr.

President of the University

Mark W. Padilla Provost of the University