

Resolution Number: RF13-314
September, 2013

Whereas:

Gail Evans served San Francisco State University (SF State) as Dean of Undergraduate Studies from April 2008 to September 2013; and

Whereas:

In her position, Dean Evans involved herself directly in the success, well-being and academic attainment of our students including supervising the Advising Center, Learning Assistance Center, Campus Academic Resource Program, and Writing in the Discipline Program as well as co-chairing the Student Success/Graduation Initiative and Early Start Implementation; and

Whereas:

Dean Evans effectively oversaw the development and implementation of a new General Education program and baccalaureate requirements at a time of reorganization and technological change-over; and

Whereas:

Dean Evans' titles and list of achievements are insufficient to describe her impressive and positive impact on student achievement at San Francisco State University across the undergraduate curriculum; and

Whereas:

Dean Evans successfully represented SF State on CSU systemwide initiatives where she capably served on the Chancellor's General Education Advisory Committee (GEAC); contributed to Exchanges: The Online Journal of Teaching and Learning in the CSU; and delivered the keynote presentation on "Assessment of General Education" at the CSU ITL Summer Institute 2012; and

Whereas:

Dean Evans brought renown to San Francisco State University as a recognized expert on General Education and undergraduate pedagogy and curriculum, serving as a faculty member and consultant for the American Association of Colleges and Universities and numerous other scholarly and pedagogical organizations; and

Whereas:

Dean Evans helped make HIPs (High Impact Practices) a common term and concept at San Francisco State University; and

Whereas:

Dean Evans remains a friend, mentor, and inspiration to many members of the San Francisco State University community including this august Academic Senate; and

Whereas:

Dean Evans always put the interests of students first and encouraged others to do so as well; therefore be it

Resolved:

that the Academic Senate thanks Dean Evans for her stellar contributions to our campus; and be it further

Resolved:

that we wish her well upon her retirement; and be it further

Resolved:

that we commend to all and sundry her leadership, scholarly contributions, and attention to the needs and potential of students, and wish heartily that we be able to emulate them; and be it further

Resolved:

that in honor of Dean Evans, we promise to regularly ask ourselves and our colleagues "What have you done today

to improve student success?" and to do what we can to make the lives of ours students richer and more rewarding.
