Resolution Number: RS14-319
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Whereas: Professor Vaughn is a beloved and nurturing teacher and mentor whose students represent a new generation of learners with a love of Latin and classical studies; and

Whereas: Professor Vaughn was an involved citizen of the San Francisco State University campus community for over twenty years, and during this period of extensive professional development, according to Dean Paul Sherwin, was instrumental in securing a bequest of over $1.5 million from Professor Emeritus Raoul Bertrand that supported the hiring of an endowed chair in Classics, department activities, and financial assistance to Classics majors and graduate students; and

Whereas: Professor Vaughn has indefatigably served San Francisco State University campus community in numerous ways. As Associate Dean for Faculty Development, she was the Campus Coordinator and Principal Investigator for the SF State research project EnACT ~PTD (Ensuring Access Through Collaboration and Technology ~ Partnerships, Technology & Dissemination), Campus Coordinator for FIPSE grant (Fund for the Improvement of Post-Secondary Education), Campus Coordinator and Principle Investigator of Access by Design (AxD) to introduce campus STEM faculty to issues of accessibility through faculty learning communities, and Developer and Steering Committee member of “The Bridge Initiative” for campus-based support of faculty career flexibility. As a professor of Classics, she was an active member of the International Society for the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning, Chair of the All University Teacher Education Committee, Academic advisor to Latin teaching credential students, advisor of the Classics Student Association, and actively worked with the College of Ethnic Studies on the double degree to ensure collaboration between multidisciplinary majors and that they do not forget the perennial significance of Latin in discussions of democracy; and

Whereas: Professor Vaughn, a two time Academic Senate Chair, is retiring from the University this semester; NOW THEREFORE BE IT

Resolved: that the Academic Senate of San Francisco State University express their gratitude by commending Professor Vaughn for her leadership as a teacher, challenger, and mentor of students and young faculty to be better instructors than the respectable example she set for them; and be it further

Resolved: that the Academic Senate grant Dr. Pam the title of “Khalessi, Mother of Dragons” for the many emerging classics teachers and young faculty that she taught to embody respect even when there is disagreement, always remember (in High Valyrian manner) that Zaldrizes buzdarik, ikosu dair, and strive to Aeokia osenatas, metri ossenatas, qiloni pilos lue vale tovive ossenatas, yn ine dore odrakatas; and be it further

Resolved: That the Academic Senate extend to Dr. Pamela Vaughn best wishes for a well-earned and relaxing retirement, as she studies High Valyrian, travels the world, and continues to learn of - and share - the wisdom from antiquity so desperately needed today, and an open invitation to return and remind us, in elegant classicist fashion, should we ever forget, that we are all philosophers, and who we are is indelibly linked to who we were. Naejot memebatas, Khalessi! Dracarys!