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Academic Senate Resolution

***W EXEC 20-03**

March 4, 2020

**A Resolution to Honor and Commend Carrie Stewart's Contributions to
California State University, Dominguez Hills
Unanimously Approved March 04, 2020**

WHEREAS: Carrie Stewart joined the Dominguez Hills Toro Nation in 2014 as our Vice President of University Advancement; and,

WHEREAS: Carrie Stewart has served California State University, Dominguez Hills' students, staff, faculty, administration, alumni, and the California State University System with diligence and dedication in a variety of capacities over the last twenty years; and,

WHEREAS: Carrie Stewart led a division responsible for building the university's financial resources, enhancing its reputation, and expanding influence through strategic communications and the engagement of internal and external stakeholders; and,

WHEREAS: Carrie Stewart restructured and built up staffing in the communications and marketing department and refocused efforts to promote and enhance the university's image. This resulted in numerous successes, including the rebranding initiative and the university's first comprehensive, multi-channel marketing campaign; and,

WHEREAS: Carrie Stewart established a multi-faceted alumni relations program that focuses on recognition and engagement of alumni to support student success, as evidenced by the "I'm a Toro" banner campaign; and,

WHEREAS: Carrie Stewart's leadership of University Advancement office tripled the university's annual fundraising results and a cumulative amount of \$27 million has been raised in the past five years; and,

WHEREAS: Carrie Stewart led the formation of the Philanthropic Foundation, a separate 501 (c) (3) that was established in 2015 to secure external support for the university, and served as its executive director, working closely with the board of directors; and,

WHEREAS: Carrie Stewart led the efforts to launch the university's first capital campaign in support of the new Science and Innovation building; and,

WHEREAS: Carrie Stewart's leadership led to the largest corporate gift in the university's history – a total of \$5 million from Toyota USA Foundation – through a capital gift and naming of the Center of Innovation in STEM Education, and five Toyota trucks for the Mobile Fab Labs; and,

WHEREAS: Carrie Stewart also served student success and our local community by co-chairing the planning committee for the year-long commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of the Watts Rebellion; and,

WHEREAS: Carrie Stewart designed and implemented a series of key university events to engage critical audiences on campus and in the community, including *Steinway by Starlight*, *The South Bay Economic Forecast*, and *Founders Dinner*; and,

WHEREAS: Carrie Stewart has served as a role model for administrative leadership by bringing out the strengths of all team members, mentoring and advancing the careers of numerous members of her team; and,

WHEREAS: Carrie Stewart's leadership example highlights the importance of women's voices and contributions in the upper echelons of higher education administration; and,

WHEREAS: Carrie Stewart bears the honor of both being a CSU Dominguez Hills alumna and leader, providing a model of professional and personal dedication to student success; and,

WHEREAS: California State University, Dominguez Hills has greatly benefited from Carrie Stewart's commitment to the ideals of higher education; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED: That the California State University, Dominguez Hills Academic Senate bestow its appreciation and gratitude upon Carrie Stewart for her outstanding service and contributions; and,

BE IT RESOLVED: That the California State University, Dominguez Hills Academic Senate extends to Carrie our best wishes for health, happiness, and continued success in her retirement.