At its meeting of May 10, 2004, the Academic Senate passed the following Sense of the Senate Resolution presented by Michael Katz for the Executive Committee.

SENSE OF THE SENATE RESOLUTION
EXPRESSING OUR APPRECIATION OF JOE CROWLEY

Whereas, Joe Crowley stepped out of retirement from serving nearly 23 years as president of the University of Nevada at Reno to serve one semester as Interim President of SJSU which extended to two semesters when the presidential search was extended in November 2003,

Whereas, He has served as a member of the Academic Senate,

Whereas, He has helped the university focus on its strengths and worked with the Senate to create a Resource Planning Board to lead SJSU through difficult budget times—a leadership board that has expanded the role of the faculty, staff and students in the decision-making process,

Whereas, He has helped with WASC accreditation,

Whereas, He helped to create the Tower Foundation to manage the University’s endowment and to manage and receive all philanthropic support of the University and its component parts,

Whereas, He has encouraged us to be prepared for strategic planning with the next President,

Whereas, He has helped the campus to create a plan to improve the use and security of information technology,

Whereas, He has provided the kind of bold, innovative, grounded leadership that San José State University needed during difficult times,

Whereas, This leadership has been informed by President Crowley’s diplomacy, ethical respect for persons, fairness, honesty, integrity, and good judgment,

Whereas, Senator Crowley has provided bold, strong, and astute leadership as interim president,

Whereas, Senator Crowley’s leadership skill, sense of humor, sincerity, humility, and basic decency have won him the admiration and respect of the entire SJSU community; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Academic Senate

Express its abiding appreciation and gratitude to Senator Crowley for being such a wonderful Interim President for San José State University, and

Wish Senator Crowley and his wife many joyful years of retirement.