SS-S18-2, Sense of the Senate Resolution, Expressing our Appreciation and Good Wishes to Provost Andy Feinstein

Legislative History: At its meeting of May 14, 2018, the Academic Senate unanimously approved the following Sense of the Senate Resolution presented by Senator Frazier for the Executive Committee.

SENSE OF THE SENATE RESOLUTION
Expressing our Appreciation and Good Wishes
To Provost Andy Feinstein

Whereas, Provost Andy Feinstein has been an active member of the SJSU Academic Senate and the Senate Executive Committee since his assumption of the role of Interim Provost in fall 2013 and has worked collaboratively with the Senate on a wide range of policy issues; and

Whereas, Provost Feinstein, in the best spirit of shared governance, connected with all faculty early on, working with the campus through trauma and through celebration, exhibiting extraordinary skill in bridging the interests and expectations of a sizeable array of stakeholders, and forging an unprecedented bond between Academic Affairs and Student Affairs; and

Whereas, Provost Feinstein, with his expertise in listening and consulting, his open-door policy, and his prioritization of students, faculty, and staff, has been a tremendous support to the SJSU community; and

Whereas, Provost Feinstein has exemplified how to blend leadership, service, and strong focus, which has led among other things to the “Four Pillars of Student Success” plan as well as a financial and moral commitment to strengthening RSCA at SJSU; and

Whereas, Provost Feinstein understood, from the beginning, the need to grasp the unique campus culture of SJSU, spending countless hours attending classes, meeting with student groups, and getting to know faculty in both formal and informal settings; and
Whereas, Provost Feinstein has always listened patiently to complaints, confronting them with an open mind, has seen the merit in numerous points of view, and has sought constructive rather than reactive responses; and

Whereas, Provost Feinstein, possessing also an open heart and genuine compassion, once during a heat wave took it upon himself to deliver bottles of water to the sweltering masses of students and faculty in Dudley Moorehead Hall; and

Whereas, Provost Feinstein has always been willing to not take himself “too seriously” and also to have fun; and

Whereas, Provost Feinstein has elevated the fashion sensibility of the campus through his thoughtful selection of really cool socks; and

Whereas, Provost Feinstein doesn’t blush very often, but when he does (resplendently red-faced), it’s at the Academic Senate; and

Whereas, Provost Feinstein is one gnarly surfer dude, but the surf is better in California than in Colorado; therefore be it

Resolved, That Andy Feinstein, President of the University of Northern Colorado, will be forever welcome at SJSU, where we will keep his boards ready for him; and be it further

Resolved, That the Academic Senate of San José State University wish Andy Feinstein sincerely all the very best in his presidency at UNC; and be it further

Resolved, That the Academic Senate impress upon Andy Feinstein that he should always hold in memory the legacy he leaves as a role model for shared governance at SJSU and in the whole CSU system, and should never forget the close friends and colleagues he has here.