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**SS-F11-1, Sense of the Senate Resolution, Expressing our  
Appreciation of Dr. Gerry Selter**

**Legislative History:** At its meeting of December 5, 2011, the Academic Senate approved the following Sense of the Senate Resolution presented by Senator Kaufman for the Executive Committee.

**Sense of the Senate Resolution  
Expressing our Appreciation of Dr. Gerry Selter**

- Whereas, Dr. Gerry Selter has announced his retirement after a lengthy and distinguished 43 year career at San José State University, and
- Whereas, Dr. Selter originally joined the faculty at San José State University in 1968 as a professor and active researcher in organic chemistry, and
- Whereas, Dr. Selter has previously served the university as Acting Chair of the Department of Chemistry, Interim Associate Dean and Dean of the College of Science, Executive Assistant to the President, and Interim Provost, and
- Whereas, Dr. Selter has at least once tried unsuccessfully to retire, and
- Whereas, President Jon Whitmore, in 2009, requested Dr. Selter to set aside his announced retirement to assume the position of Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs, and
- Whereas, Dr. Selter has served twice as the Chair of San José State's NCAA Athletics Recertification Committee, and
- Whereas, Dr. Selter has been an avid supporter of SJSU's student athletics, and

Whereas, Dr. Selter has served on CSU system-wide councils, boards and committees in a variety of roles, and

Whereas, Dr. Selter has managed Academic Affairs during turbulent budgetary times, and

Whereas, Dr. Selter has made Student Success and Faculty Development the goals of his term as Provost,

Whereas, although he has spent much of his career as a member of the bureaucracy, he has always committed himself to shielding faculty, staff and students from BBs. and

Whereas, Dr. Selter has been a mentor to many and a true friend to colleagues and this university, therefore be it

Resolved, that the Academic Senate of San José State University expresses its heartfelt admiration and appreciation to Dr. Gerry Selter for his many contributions to the university community, and be it

Resolved, that the Academic Senate of San José State University wishes Dr. Selter and his wife Carol wonderful travels, many visits to grandchildren, and numerous hours at home by the pool, and perhaps a few home projects as well, and be it further

Resolved, that the Academic Senate wishes Dr. Selter an easy adjustment to retirement, but hopes that he does not forget his many friends by returning often to bask in the glow of the Tower.

Approved: November 30, 2011  
Vote: 14-0-0  
Present: Von Till, Qayoumi, Nance, Bibb, Bussani, Heiden, Kaufman, McClory, Kolodziejak, Sabalius, Gleixner, Bros-Seemann, Ng, Kimbarow  
Absent: Selter  
Financial Impact: will depend on the number of trips planned by Carol  
Workload Impact: whether the pool service will be retained