

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Massachusetts Board of Higher Education recognizes the significant accomplishments of Dr. Gail Carberry at the conclusion of her eleventh year as president of Quinsigamond Community College; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Carberry has increased the enrollment of Quinsigamond Community College by 40 percent during her tenure, to more than 8,000 students, and more than doubled fundraising and major grants which were used to leverage campus expansion and improvements; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Carberry used entrepreneurial business practices to open a Southbridge campus in 2009, placing no additional capital expense on the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Carberry developed strategic partnerships to open a new Healthcare and Workforce Development Center in downtown Worcester in the fall of 2014; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Carberry established the new QuEST Center for engineering, science and technology on the West Boylston Street campus of Quinsigamond Community College in January of 2016; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Carberry served as chair of the Massachusetts Community College Council of Presidents in 2014; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Carberry has served on the boards of the Latino Education Institute, Bay Path Regional/Vocational High School Foundation, the National Association for Community College Entrepreneurship, Worcester Educational Collaborative, the Boys and Girls Club, Central Mass Workforce Investment Board, Worcester Business Development Corporation, the Massachusetts Clean Energy Center, the United Way of Central Massachusetts and Massachusetts Biomedical Initiatives; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Carberry has received numerous awards including Worcester Business Journal's 2015 Business Leader of the Year Award for non-profits, YWCA's 2014 Katharine F. Erskine Award for Education, the Girl Scouts Women of Distinction Award and the *Worcester Business Journal's* Women Business Leaders Award; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Carberry has worked tirelessly throughout her tenure and has demonstrated a profound commitment to what is best for students of the Commonwealth and its system of public higher education;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT

On behalf of the members of the Board of Higher Education, the Department staff, and the students and institutions of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the Massachusetts Board of Higher Education honors and commends Dr. Gail Carberry on the occasion of her retirement from the presidency at Quinsigamond Community College.

Chris Gabrieli, Chairman
Massachusetts Board of Higher Education

Carlos E. Santiago, Commissioner
Massachusetts Department of Higher Education

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