WHEREAS, Cynthia Lee Katona was hired by the Fremont-Newark Community College District as a full-time faculty member of the English Department in September 1975 and has elected to retire from Ohlone College effective May 2009; and

WHEREAS, she has wonderfully served and inspired a vast range of students, including veterans, deaf, re-entry and many life-long learners while maintaining the highest professional standards in her developmental, transfer and elective courses; and,

WHEREAS, she created and leaves as a legacy to the English Department many exciting elective courses such as Censorship and Obscenity in Literature, Psychology and Literature, The Gothic Novel and The Literature of Laughter; and

WHEREAS, she deserves special recognition for her work outside of the English Department, both in Journalism and Women’s Studies and has been professionally recognized for her photography and writing; and

WHEREAS, she has served as an example of cultural understanding in leading students on tours and semester-abroad programs to England, Australia, Costa Rica and China; and

WHEREAS, she diligently worked for the interests of her colleagues and the College at large by serving four terms as Faculty Senate President and in other critical leadership tasks involving the College’s accreditation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees expresses its deep thanks for her years of excellent service as a faculty member and in her leadership roles, and that the Board of Trustees expresses sincere good wishes to Cynthia Lee Katona henceforth; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees confers upon Cynthia Lee Katona the title of Professor Emeritus, English/Journalism of Ohlone College.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 9th day of September, 2009.

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Secretary of the Board of Trustees
Ohlone Community College District