

RESOLUTION FOR

Dr. Robert Hamblin

WHEREAS, Dr. Robert Hamblin has served the Department of English and Southeast Missouri State University well and faithfully for forty-eight years and two months, which, according to existing records, is the longest tenure by a full-time faculty member in the history of the institution; and

WHEREAS, as the founding Director of the University's Center for Faulkner Studies, he has developed the Center into an internationally-respected site for literary scholarship which hosts numerous conferences and produces scholarly publications; and

WHEREAS, he has been a prolific author and editor, editing or co-editing seventeen books on Faulkner and writing fifteen book chapters and scores of literary criticism articles as well as six volumes of original poetry and other books; and

WHEREAS, he has been a dedicated and well-respected teacher of literature and writing for thousands of students, not only at Southeast but also in Japan, the Netherlands, and Great Britain, winning the Alumni Association's Faculty Merit Award, the Governor's Award for Excellence in Teaching, and the University's PRIDE Award; and

WHEREAS, he has directed numerous seminars and programs for the National Endowment of the Humanities and the Missouri Humanities Council; and

WHEREAS, he has served as Acting Head of the English Department on three occasions and served diligently and effectively on numerous departmental, college, and University committees, including the ad hoc committee that created the University Studies program; and

WHEREAS, in all of his relationships, professional and personal, he has been a generous contributor to the academic community and a considerate, gracious colleague and mentor;

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that the Board of Regents expresses its appreciation and congratulations to Dr. Robert Hamblin for his outstanding service to Southeast Missouri State University by conferring upon him the status of Professor Emeritus of English on behalf of the University and its students, faculty, staff, and administration on this second day of May, Two Thousand Fourteen.



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