

## RESOLUTION FOR

*Dr. Franklin D. Nickell*

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Franklin D. Nickell has provided over forty-three years of service to Southeast Missouri State University; and

**WHEREAS**, during those years, he has been an inspiring and dedicated instructor of American history; and

**WHEREAS**, he held the position of director of the Center for Regional History since 1990, establishing it as a key institution for the study of, and publications about, Southeast Missouri's heritage; and

**WHEREAS**, he provided valued leadership to his colleagues as chair of the Department of History from 1978 to 1983; and

**WHEREAS**, he trained dozens of graduate students in his advanced courses in US history, supervising theses, research papers and majors projects; and

**WHEREAS**, his survey courses in American history were as rigorous as they were popular; and

**WHEREAS**, he introduced History Day to Southeast Missouri, leading it to become the largest event in the state; and

**WHEREAS**, his award-winning radio show, "Almost Yesterday," vividly chronicled the history of the region for listeners; and

**WHEREAS**, before becoming a full-time member of the Department of History, he served in an impressive range of assignments for Southeast, including Bursar and Head Start Coordinator; and

**WHEREAS**, he mentored fellow faculty members in the Department of History, serving as an encouraging example of classroom and professional engagement; and

**WHEREAS**, he led generations of new faculty members on regional tours each fall, an event that became the highlight of their introduction to the University; and

**WHEREAS**, his outreach to all of Southeast Missouri, and his encouragement of the study of history, led to such success that he became not only a well-known, but also a beloved, representative of the Department of History;

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED** that the Board of Regents expresses its appreciation and congratulations to Dr. Franklin D. Nickell for his outstanding service to Southeast Missouri State University by conferring upon him the status of Associate Professor Emeritus of History on behalf of the University and its students, faculty, staff, and administration on this on this twelfth day of April, Two Thousand Thirteen.



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President, Board of Regents  
Southeast Missouri State University