

**ACADEMIC SENATE
OF
THE CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY**

AS-3302-17/EX
September 14-15, 2017

**COMMENDATION FOR PROFESSOR EMERITUS LEONARD MATHY, FIRST ACADEMIC
SENATE CSU CHAIR (1963-64); PASSED AUGUST 6, 2017**

- WHEREAS, Len Mathy served the students, faculty and administration at California State University Los Angeles (CSULA) as Professor of Economics from 1950-1986; and
- WHEREAS, while at CSULA, Professor Mathy was the founding Chair of the Department of Economics, and the founding Dean of the School of Letters and Science (even though he was from a department not included in that School); and
- WHEREAS, Professor Mathy was founding Chair of the CSULA Academic Senate and founding Chair of the Academic Senate CSU (ASCSU); and
- WHEREAS, in his capacity as Chair of the ASCSU, Professor Mathy fought for effective and timely consultation with faculty, the protection of faculty authority, and demonstrated his dedication to ensuring the independence of faculty in shared governance by helping to defeat a proposal that the Chancellor be chair of the ASCSU; and
- WHEREAS, after his retirement, Professor Mathy continued his commitment and service to CSU faculty through active involvement in CSU Emeriti activities, including many years of service on the Executive Committee of the CSULA Emeriti Association, appointment as one of a very few Life Honorary Members of that group and representing his CSULA Emeriti colleagues on the State Council of the CSU Emeritus and Retired Faculty Association (ERFA); and
- WHEREAS, Professor Mathy demonstrated his fortitude and sense of purpose by driving himself to CSULA Emeriti Association and CSU ERFA meetings until he was in his 90s; and
- WHEREAS, in recognition of his commitment and service, the CSULA Academic Senate bestowed on Professor Mathy the title of 'Pater Senatus' in 2005; therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That the ASCSU will remember Professor Leonard Mathy for his long and distinguished record of service to shared governance and the CSU; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the ASCSU extend its condolences to Professor Mathy's family upon his passing and wish them fond memories of his life and pride in his service to the CSU; and be it finally
- RESOLVED: That the ASCSU distribute this Resolution of Commendation to the family of Leonard Mathy, CSU Chancellor White, CSU Los Angeles President William A. Covino, Veena Prabhu, Chair of the CSU Los Angeles Academic Senate, and CSU ERFA.

Approved by Acclamation – September 14-15, 2017