

**Resolution of Appreciation:  
Provost Nancy Marlin  
May 6, 2014**

WHEREAS, San Diego State University Provost Nancy A. Marlin, has served with distinction since her appointment as provost in 1998, and

WHEREAS, Provost Marlin has emphasized progress in student success, research and creative activity, and community building since her arrival - and before these areas became formal strategic goals of the university, and

WHEREAS, Provost Marlin's accomplishments in the areas of student success include overseeing enrollment management efforts that insure classes are provided for timely student progress toward degree, advocating for high impact practices such as study-abroad and second-language learning, faculty-student research experiences, internships and community engagement, making San Diego State University a leader in producing recipients of student Fulbright fellowships, helping first-year students to succeed by increasing average load to 15 units per semester, significantly increasing the diversity of the student population, and fostering programs that have resulted in significant increases in graduation rates while at the same time minimizing differences in graduation for underrepresented student groups,, and

WHEREAS, Provost Marlin has presided over significant growth in San Diego State University's research and creative activities that have netted substantial increases in the amount and quality of funded scholarship, established specialized research facilities such as the Donald P. Shiley BioScience Center, the San Diego State University Visualization Center, and the Zahn Innovation Center, and insured that faculty in all of the university's disciplines have opportunities for support, both in terms of time and funding, for their scholarly and creative activities, and

WHEREAS, Provost Marlin has led the establishment of a "culture of engagement" that has resulted in vast amounts of service to the San Diego community and the California-Mexico border region, and garnering, for example, such honors as San Diego State University being ranked among the nation's leaders in the recruitment of Peace Corps volunteers, and

WHEREAS, Provost Marlin's actions and manner throughout her tenure have respected, supported, and actively fostered the culture of shared governance, and

WHEREAS, Provost Marlin has served as a member of the University Senate since her arrival on campus, providing timely information in her regular reports and collaborating effectively in the development of policy, and

WHEREAS, Provost Marlin will return to the San Diego State University faculty as of July 1, 2014, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED: that the San Diego State University Senate congratulate and thank Provost Marlin for her long and productive service and wish her all the best as she resumes her faculty role.

MP In the University Senate by acclamation this sixth day of May 2014.