

San Diego State University (SDSU) Senate Resolution honoring SDSU President Sally Roush

- 1. WHEREAS: Sally Roush has served San Diego State University with integrity, energy, passion, and grace for over three decades; and
- 2. WHEREAS: Sally Roush had been the University's senior vice president for Business and Financial Affairs for 19 years, in which capacity she oversaw the budget, intercollegiate athletics, real estate development and capital planning, facilities, public safety, human resources and labor relations, legal affairs, and information technology; and
- 3. WHEREAS: As a member of the President's Cabinet advising three different SDSU presidents, Sally Roush co-chaired the steering committee that guided the University community in developing its strategic plan "Building on Excellence," whose initiatives to promote student success, enhance research and creative endeavors, and strengthen community and communication led to record-high graduation rates, nationally recognized areas of research excellence, 350 annual arts events, and renewed alumni engagement that continues to bear fruit in the form of a record endowment; and
- 4. WHEREAS: On July 1, 2017 Sally Roush returned from a well-deserved retirement to become the first woman President of San Diego State University and to guide the University through a presidential transition; and
- 5. WHEREAS: During the presidential transition year, Sally Roush provided steady leadership, moved the university forward on all fronts, lead the final year of implementation of the strategic plan, and guided the development of a site plan for a Mission Valley campus to accommodate the university's expansion over the next decades; and
- 6. WHERAS: Sally Roush's service to SDSU includes also past board member of the SDSU Research Foundation, Aztec Shops, the National Association of College and University Business Officers and the Western Association of College and University Business Officers; and
- **7.** WHEREAS: In all of these capacities, Sally Roush has been a strong supporter and embodiment of the principle of shared governance; and
- 8. WHEREAS: Sally Roush's tireless and distinguished service to SDSU has earned her recognition and honors that include SDSU's Monty Award, the California State University's Wang Family Excellence Award for administrators, the Albert C. Yates Distinguished Service Award from the Mountain West Conference, and the CFO of the Year Award from the *San Diego Business Journal*; be it therefore
- **9. RESOLVED:** That the SDSU Senate extend its heartfelt thanks to Sally Roush for her outstanding service to the University and its community and wish her the best in whatever endeavors she invests her inexhaustible energy next.

Presented with gratitude by the San Diego State University Senate on May 1, 2018.