

**ACADEMIC SENATE**  
**of**  
**THE CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY**

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November 1-2, 2001

Commendation for Timothy Kersten

WHEREAS, Timothy Kersten resigned from the Academic Senate of the California State University after 18 years of distinguished service to that body; and

WHEREAS, Timothy Kersten served the Academic Senate CSU as a member of the Executive Committee, chaired the Faculty Affairs Committee two different times, chaired Fiscal and Governmental Affairs and served as vice chair of these committees several times; and

WHEREAS, Timothy Kersten represented the Academic Senate CSU on several systemwide committees including the Admissions Advisory Council, the Task Force on Academic Freedom and Responsibility, and the Committee on Joint Responsibility with the Trustees; and

WHEREAS, Timothy Kersten has been an outstanding advocate for collegiality during his tenure in the Academic Senate CSU; and

WHEREAS, Timothy Kersten was an “unofficial” parliamentarian of the Academic Senate CSU who frequently raised a point of order to bring the body out of a parliamentary quagmire; and

WHEREAS, Timothy Kersten was also an “unofficial” conscience of the Academic Senate CSU by frequently and eloquently pointing out the ethical and moral implications of the issues before the body; and

WHEREAS, Timothy Kersten was the official Academic Senate CSU authority on jazz and a good martini; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate of the California State University express its appreciation and thanks to Timothy Kersten for his many years of dedication and service to the body; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate CSU wish Timothy Kersten the best for whatever endeavors he chooses to pursue in the future.

**APPROVED BY ACCLAMATION - November 1-2, 2001**