

GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY

Resolution 20-51: Honoring the Service of Dr. Elaine P. Maimon

WHEREAS

Dr. Elaine P. Maimon

has served
Governors State University
with distinction since her appointment as President on July 1, 2007, and

WHEREAS

she has strategically led Governors State University for almost thirteen years, through a prolonged state budget crisis and the COVID-19 pandemic, always keeping the welfare and interests of students in the forefront, and

WHEREAS

she has led transformative change at Governors State University throughout her presidential tenure including: the building of the university's first living-learning community; the creation of an athletic program; the renovation of the E and F buildings; and the transformation of GSU from an upper division institution into a full-service, four-year university, and

WHEREAS

she has expanded partnerships with 17 community colleges, creating the nationally recognized and widely successful Dual Degree Program, and

WHEREAS

she, along with her husband, Dr. Mort Maimon, are significant university donors to the GSU Foundation, and

WHEREAS

she has contributed to national and international conversations regarding the needed transformation of higher education and the importance of serving the "new majority" students through her writings, presentations, and service on committees and boards, and will continue to do so in her future work with the American Council on Education.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

that the Board of Trustees express its gratitude and extends its best wishes for a productive, happy, and joyful continuation of Dr. Elaine P. Maimon's educational journey.

Approved May 15, 2020



Lisa M. Harrell, Chairperson



James Kvedaras, Secretary