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Resolution 13—27: Honoring GSU President Dr. Leo Goodman-Malamuth II
February 15, 2013

WHEREAS, Dr. Leo Goodman-Malamuth II was the second President of Governors State University, serving in that position for 16 years between October, 1977 and July, 1992; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Goodman-Malamuth came to Governors State University following a distinguished career at California State University at Long Beach, where he had been Vice President for Academic Affairs and for many years was Professor of Audiology and Speech Pathology; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Goodman-Malamuth, in his 16 years as President, was instrumental in revising the University’s curriculum, redesigning its Colleges, reorganizing the University’s administration, and developing a new student grading system; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Goodman-Malamuth was instrumental in the establishment of the GSU Foundation, the University’s fund-raising arm; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Goodman-Malamuth initiated the concept and development campaign to design and build GSU’s Center for Performing Arts and worked tirelessly and successfully to raise the necessary private funds; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Goodman-Malamuth was a strong proponent of the use of new media technologies to assist students both on and off campus as well as to increase GSU’s visibility; and

WHEREAS, under Dr. Goodman-Malamuth’s leadership, GSU became nationally recognized for its well-designed and produced telecourses and satellite videoconferences, used both for its own instructional purposes and distributed nationally and, in fact, GSU was the first university in the State of Illinois to be able to originate videoconferences by satellite; and
WHEREAS, Dr. Goodman-Malamuth, throughout his tenure as President, consistently sustained GSU’s founding principle of innovation, while imposing necessary constraints and developing sound educational practices; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Goodman-Malamuth, as President, contributed most of the funds that led to the establishment of the Leo and Margaret Goodman-Malamuth Endowed Scholarship in Media Communications Technologies, which was approved by the GSU Foundation Board of Directors in December, 1994; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Goodman-Malamuth, in his retirement, remained in contact with Governors State University, returning to campus during the University’s 40th Anniversary celebration in 2009 and taking part in a panel discussion on university history.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Governors State University, that the Information Technology Services (ITS) Building be named, in perpetuity, the Goodman-Malamuth Technology (GMT) Building in honor of his devoted 16-year long leadership of the University.

Signed at University Park, IL, this 15th day of February, 2013

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