APPROVED
June 25, 2025

Melisse Bealune Board Secretary Melissa Bealon



Resolution

WHEREAS Dr. Cheryl Green served as the 6th President of Governors State University from 2020 to 2025; and

WHEREAS Dr. Green was a champion of removing barriers for students who have historically been underserved; and

WHERAS Dr. Green was an avid supporter of a higher education funding formula rooted in equity; and

WHERAS Dr. Green transformed students' educational experiences by establishing the Social Justice Initiative to address barriers to social mobility, equity, and justice and the Latinx Resource Center to support the growing Latino student population at Governors State University; and

WHERAS Dr. Green established partnerships to create pathways to Juris Doctorate degrees and created Governors State University's Honors College and College of Graduate Studies; and

WHERAS Dr. Green was a beloved and valued member of the state's higher education community; and

WHEREAS Dr. Green touched the lives of many students, faculty members, and colleagues; and

WHEREAS Dr. Green will be dearly missed and remembered as a champion and a fighter; and

WHEREAS higher education in Illinois is better because of Dr. Green's contributions; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Illinois Board of Higher Education hereby honor and remember Dr. Green's life and her contributions throughout her successful and impactful career.

Approved by the Illinois Board of Higher Education this 25th day of June 2025.

Pranav Kothari Board Chair Ginger Ostro
Executive Director