RESOLUTION FOR

_Janet Smith_

WHEREAS, Janet Smith served for ten years as the director of the Apple Project; and

WHEREAS, she won numerous grants to continue the support of the Apple Project, and supervised staff as well as directly working with clients; and

WHEREAS, this service was incredibly important for senior citizens faced with difficult paperwork related to health and other topics; and

WHEREAS, she was a positive and effective leader of the Apple Project; and

WHEREAS, for five years, she served as the coordinator for the Department of Education Title III grant for the Biology Laboratory and Course Renovation project; and

WHEREAS, she kept the Project Director on his toes by being completely and utterly on top of the project; and

WHEREAS, she gave her full attention to all aspects of the project: from design to completion of the physical space; from ideas to implementation of the course redesigns; from collecting to crunching to interpreting reams and reams of data about the effectiveness of the project; from planning meetings to preparing minutes; from writing quarterly reports to writing annual and final reports; from suggesting changes to budget or process through getting the Program Officer’s approval in Washington; the aspects are too many to mention here; and

WHEREAS, she worked effectively, graciously and professionally with all the faculty, staff, consultants, architects and construction crews involved in the project, ensuring that communication lines were clear and open and functioning in both directions; and

WHEREAS, she (with accomplice Vicki Howell) herded the cats who are the Title III biology faculty through the rigors of purchasing a quarter million dollars of equipment and supplies as those funds became available in the last year of the grant; and

WHEREAS, she shared herself as a friend and colleague with so many of us; and

WHEREAS, we as an institution, people, and co-workers are better for knowing her; and

WHEREAS, she will now be able to spend time with her children, daughter-in-law, and her grandson;

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that the Board of Regents expresses its appreciation and congratulations on behalf of the University and its students, faculty, staff, and administration on this first day of May, Two Thousand Fifteen.

Jay B. Knudtson

President, Board of Regents
Southeast Missouri State University