RESOLUTION FOR

Dr. Mitchel Gerber

WHEREAS, Dr. Mitchel Gerber is retiring after having served the Department of Political Science, the Department of Political Science, Philosophy and Religion, and Southeast Missouri State University for over twenty-four years; and

WHEREAS, he is a well-known scholar in the field of political philosophy, recognized for his work on Thomas Hobbes and the Levellers; and

WHEREAS, he is a well-known scholar in the field of genocide studies and the Holocaust, having published works related to Elie Wiesel, Raphael Lemkin, and the role of memory and eyewitness testimony to understanding genocide; and

WHEREAS, he developed, refined and for many years taught UI 440, “The Holocaust,” a long-lasting and well-received University Studies interdisciplinary course; and

WHEREAS, he received the Outstanding Scholarship Award from the College of Liberal Arts in 1997, and he thrice received the Exempli Gratia Award from the Honors Program; and

WHEREAS, he has served tirelessly as the coordinator of Holocaust Remembrance Week; and

WHEREAS, he has dedicated himself to relentlessly testing office security by jiggling door handles to make sure they are locked; and

WHEREAS, he has served as a model for reducing one’s carbon footprint by steadfastly refusing to drive; and

WHEREAS, he set the State of Missouri running record for a two mile race for a fifty-nine year-old male;

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that the Board of Regents expresses its appreciation and congratulations to Dr. Mitchel Gerber for his outstanding service to Southeast Missouri State University by conferring upon him the status of Professor Emeritus of Political Science on behalf of the University and its students, faculty, staff, and administration on this second day of May, Two Thousand Fourteen.

Doyle L. Privett

President, Board of Regents
Southeast Missouri State University