Senate Meeting of May 3, 2017 Committee on Admissions, Evaluation and Academic Standards

Posthumous Degree – Mr. Darron Stitt

WHEREAS, Herbert H. Lehman College of The City University of New York shares with the family and friends in the loss of Mr. Darron Stitt; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Stitt attended college for the first time when he was in his late forties, earned an Associate's degree from Borough of Manhattan Community College in 2015, and immediately transferred to Lehman College; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Stitt was a junior Social Work major at Lehman College who was in very good standing; was a student who wanted to dedicate his life to working with older people and had already incorporated the values and ethics of the social work profession; was a future professional whose dedication to the field would have made the Department of Social Work and Lehman College proud; and

WHEREAS, the faculty, staff and students of the Department of Social Work have requested that Mr. Darron Stitt be awarded a posthumous degree; and

WHEREAS, the Chair of the Department of Social Work and the Dean of the College of Health Sciences, Human Services & Nursing have recommended Mr. Stitt be granted a posthumous degree; and

WHEREAS, the Provost has reviewed the recommendation and supports the granting of a posthumous degree to Mr. Stitt; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Admissions, Evaluation and Academic Standards has reviewed the recommendation and support awarding a posthumous degree to Mr. Stitt, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Herbert H. Lehman College Senate, comprised of faculty, students, and administrators, hereby recommends that President José Luis Cruz confer a posthumous Bachelor of Arts degree to Mr. Darron Stitt.