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Senate Resolution No. \_\_\_\_

A resolution honoring Dr. Catherine P. Cornelius, on the occasion of her retirement as President of South Florida Community College.

WHEREAS, Dr. Cornelius has devoted 39 years of service and commitment to higher education in this state, spending the last 18 years as President of South Florida Community College, and

WHEREAS, under the leadership of Dr. Cornelius, the enrollment of South Florida Community College has increased by nearly 300 percent, the college's main campus has more than doubled in size, five satellite centers have been established, the number of academic programs offered by the college has more than tripled, and partnerships have been established with five colleges or universities, and

WHEREAS, following its establishment in 1965, South Florida Community College has grown to become an institution that exerts a major positive influence upon the economy of Central and South Florida through its programs in economic and community development and collaborative partnerships with local agencies, businesses, and industries, and

WHEREAS, as a tribute to the many accomplishments of Dr. Cornelius and her years of service to the community college, the Board of Directors of the South Florida Community College Foundation, Inc., has created an endowed scholarship for needy and deserving students who are in the final 2 years of study in any one of the 15 Bachelor's Degree programs offered through the South Florida Community College University Center, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida: That the Florida Senate commends Dr. Catherine P. Cornelius for her many years of service to higher education in this state and congratulates her on the establishment of the Catherine P. Cornelius Endowed Scholarship. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution, with the Seal of the Senate affixed, be presented to Dr. Cornelius as a tangible token of the sentiments of the Florida Senate.