

BE IT RESOLVED,

That the faculty of Skidmore College wish to record our gratitude and affection for David Hugh Porter, president and professor *emeritus*, who passed away on March 26, 2016. David was the quintessential teacher-scholar, who during his tenure as the College's fifth president from 1987-1999 enhanced the prestige of our institution, turning Skidmore into a nationally-recognized liberal arts college. Promoter of the sciences with the expansion of Dana; visionary with the construction of the Tang; tireless in diversifying the faculty, staff, and student body; tenacious in elevating the intellectual tone of the campus; and an enduring example of kindness, civility, and collegiality, David exerted a profound influence on the growth and success of the College. David returned to the College in 2009 as the Tisch Family Distinguished Professor, and he both taught in the Classics and English Departments and performed on the piano for students in the First Year Experience until 2015, while at the same time he continued to contribute to the world of scholarship. Skidmore College's national reputation, and we the faculty, owe much to David Porter, teacher-scholar-musician-president, and with this resolution we commemorate him and express our deep and abiding appreciation.