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*Testimony by Representative Pam Sawyer
Before the Executive & Legislative Committee
On Michael A. Caron- CSUS Board of Trustees
February 9, 2010*

Good afternoon Chairmen Looney and Janowski, Ranking Members McKinney and Piscopo, and members of the Executive & Legislative Nominations Committee,

For the record, I am Representative Pam Sawyer, representing the 55th District. I am here today to speak in favor of Michael A. Caron of Danielson to be a member on the Connecticut State University System Board of Trustees. I have known Mike for 18 years as a friend and former colleague in the House of Representatives. As both a CCSU graduate and policymaker with many years of experience, Mike will make substantial contributions to the Board working with the other Trustees in providing our universities with the support they need for the students to succeed.

Mike served on 10 committees and subcommittees during his tenure in the legislature from which he gained a deep understanding of our state's needs. As the University system continues to make the curriculums relevant to today's Connecticut, Mike will be able to contribute valuable input.

It is Mike's keen insight regarding financial matters that will be a great addition to the Board of Trustees during these tough economic times, from his professional background as well as his legislative experience.

As the University System continues to work on their infrastructure, Mike Caron's knowledge and background gained from serving on the Bonding subcommittee will be an asset to the Board.

Mike Caron is known for his integrity, his conscientious approach to difficult problems, and his ability to gain consensus from parties with differing views. I would appreciate your support of Mike in providing him an opportunity to continue his long public service to our state.

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