

Senate Resolution SS0506-02

Resolution Bestowing Emeritus Status on Karla Bell

Whereas Karla Rae Bell has served faithfully and dutifully in the office of Student Body Vice President during the 2004-2005 term, having given the entirety of her efforts to advance the interests of the Student Body of the University of Notre Dame; and

Whereas Karla demonstrated her own particular style of leadership through a contagious excitement that motivated all colleagues around her to work harder, happier, and with greater productivity; and

Whereas Karla often professed, "Nothing great is ever achieved without enthusiasm," a formula which Karla promoted daily in her words and actions, and which led to the successes of Student Government during her term; and

Whereas Karla represented women of Notre Dame as a strong leader, tackling matters of sexism on campus through her research and authorship of the section on sexism in Student Government's Winter Report to the University Board of Trustees, entitled, "Issues of Equality: Ensuring a Welcoming Environment for all", a report that was applauded and taken as a foundation for changes to be made; and

Whereas an incomplete list of Karla's other contributions to the Student Union includes serving as a chief coordinator of a fundraising relief drive for victims of the tsunami in Southeast Asia which, in conjunction with other University bodies, raised over \$173,000; making changes to the basketball ticketing process and working to expand the availability of tickets to more students; and working to improve the situation of safety and security for students living off campus; and

Whereas Karla's involvement at Notre Dame extends beyond her role as Student Body Vice President, having served previously as Walsh Hall President, a four-year member of the Walsh Hall football team, a co-founder of the Student Jewish Club, and a two-year Huddle manager; and

Whereas the Student Body of the University of Notre Dame owes Karla a great deal of gratitude for her selfless commitment and willingness to give her efforts for 8,000 besides herself, their welfare, and their interests; therefore

Be It Resolved that in appreciation of her service, the title of Student Body Vice President Emeritus be bestowed upon Karla Rae Bell.

David M. Baron
Student Body President

