

## COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES RESOLUTION PENNSYLVANIA WESTERN UNIVERSITY HONORING GWENDOLYN G. SIMMONS

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of Trustees of Pennsylvania Western University (PennWest or University):

**WHEREAS**, Gwendolyn ("Gwen") Simmons led a life in service for others and believed that life's greatest reward lies in benefiting others, particularly in supporting the growth and aspirations of young people; and

**WHEREAS,** Gwen served as a California University of Pennsylvania Trustee from 1995 to 2011, serving on many committees; and

**WHEREAS**, Gwen received the Lillian M. Basis Core Values Award for her service and advocacy for California students; and

**WHEREAS**, Gwen established the Paul A. and Gwendolyn G. Simmons International Studies Scholarship for PennWest students; and

**WHEREAS**, Gwen dedicated her life to supporting numerous causes, including those related to health and wellness, social services, economic and community development, historical preservation, education, and young people; and

**WHEREAS**, Gwen's legacy of selfless service, leadership, and dedication to the betterment of her community will continue to inspire future generations;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the PennWest Council of Trustees honors the life and memory of Gwendolyn G. Simmons and recognizes her lifelong contributions and commitment to service to the PennWest California Community and the people of the Mon Valley.

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Chairperson