

Connecticut State University System



Developing a State of Minds

RESOLUTION

naming

THE VARSITY SOCCER - LACROSSE FIELD

at

EASTERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY

IN HONOR OF THOMAS NEVERS

May 4, 2001

WHEREAS. Thomas Nevers came to Eastern Connecticut State University in 1961 following a career at Hale-Ray High School in Moodus, Ct. where he achieved a record of six state championships and established a state record of 59 consecutive unbeaten games, and WHEREAS, Coach Nevers elevated the soccer program at ECSU to national prominence in 18 seasons until 1978 in which the Warriors won 152 matches, losing 76 and tying 14 for a 66.7 percent winning record while winning three New England and one ECAC championship, and WHEREAS, Coach Nevers enjoyed fourteen winning soccer seasons at ECSU qualifying for ten straight post-season tournaments between 1966 and 1975, and WHEREAS, Coach Nevers' teams at Eastern competed in three national NAIA tournaments in 1968, 1969, and 1973 while winning a share of four New England State College Athletic Conference championships, and WHEREAS, Coach Nevers has been elected to the Hale-Ray, Watertown-Oakville Gold Circle, ECSU (1986), and Connecticut Soccer (2001) Halls of Fame, and WHEREAS, As a player, Thomas Nevers was a member of the undefeated, untied 1948 University of Connecticut soccer team that was declared NSCA national champion, and WHEREAS, Coach Nevers was awarded Central Connecticut Soccer Officials Hugh Greer

Award for Distinguished Service,

- WHEREAS, Coach Nevers also served as and assistant professor and associate professor at ECSU while also coaching basketball and golf, and
- WHEREAS, Coach Nevers retired from Eastern in 1986 following a twenty-five year career achieving status as Emeritus Associate Professor of Health and Physical Education, and
- WHEREAS, President David G. Carter has endorsed the nomination of Mr. Nevers as recommended by the Eastern Building and Facilities Naming Committee therefore be it
- RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees for The Connecticut State University System hereby designates the Varsity Soccer-Lacrosse Field at Eastern Connecticut State University to be known now and hereafter as Thomas Nevers Field.

A Certified True Copy:

Lawrence D. McHugh, Chairman

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