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FACULTY SENATE RESOLUTION ##, 2019–2020

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A FACULTY SENATE **Resolution in Memoriam for Jean W. Wooten**

WHEREAS the University of Southern Mississippi lost a valued member on November 14, 2019, with the death of Professor Emerita Jean W. Wooten, and

WHEREAS Jean Wooten served for 19 years as an employee of the University of Southern Mississippi and respected member of the USM Department of Biological Sciences faculty (1974–1993), and

WHEREAS Jean Wooten challenged students to explore the world both in the classroom and in the field, and

WHEREAS Jean Wooten was admired for her dedication to the University's herbarium (plant museum) and to the fields of botany and wetland plant biology, and

WHEREAS Jean Wooten brought distinction to the University and to the Department of Biological Sciences at the local, national, and international levels through her excellence in teaching, research, and service, and

WHEREAS Jean Wooten amassed over 30 publications, including two widely used books on the *Aquatic and Wetland Plants of Southeastern United States* (1979, 1981) and articles in prestigious journals such as *Evolution*, the *Journal of Ecology*, and *Aquatic Botany*, and

WHEREAS Jean Wooten collected over 1500 plant specimens for the university herbarium, many of which were part of an environmental assessment for the John C. Stennis Space Center,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT we honor the memory of Jean W. Wooten and celebrate the positive impact she had on colleagues and students at The University of Southern Mississippi, and

FINALLY, BE IT RESOLVED that the Faculty Senate extend its sincerest condolences to her family and that copies of this resolution be presented to her family and preserved in the formal Minutes of the Faculty Senate.