

BOARD OF TRUSTEES RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR STUDENT TRUSTEE NATALIE MARIE DANDO

WHEREAS, Natalie Marie Dando, a senior Mathematics major and graduate of Green High School, has demonstrated academic excellence at Youngstown State University while staying engaged in her passion for tennis through the Tennis Club;

WHEREAS, on June 30, 2023, Governor Mike DeWine appointed Ms. Dando to a two-year term as a Student Trustee on the Youngstown State University Board of Trustees;

WHEREAS, during her tenure as Student Trustee, Ms. Dando has been an active member of the Sokolov Honors College, where she has conducted and presented three research projects as part of the Choose Ohio First STEM Program, and has served as president, secretary, and historian of Pi Mu Epsilon, a national mathematics honorary society;

WHEREAS, as a Community Fellow, Ms. Dando led the Dr. Abdu Pen Pal Program, a collaboration with three local elementary schools—one of which was added under her leadership—connecting approximately 400 young students with mentors from Youngstown State University;

WHEREAS, Ms. Dando contributed to Youngstown State University's data mining initiative in collaboration with Intercollegiate Athletics, helping to assess predictive models for player injuries and performance, and through various institutional research projects, she has presented findings at regional and national conferences, earning multiple outstanding presentation recognitions; and

WHEREAS, as a Student Trustee, Ms. Dando has served Youngstown State University, its faculty, staff, and students with distinction, offering thoughtful, articulate, and well-respected perspectives on student issues and concerns.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the members of the Youngstown State University Board of Trustees express their sincere appreciation to Ms. Natalie Marie Dando for her dedication, leadership, and efforts in advancing the welfare of the faculty, staff, students, and the broader community served by Youngstown State University.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be presented to Ms. Dando as a token of the Board's gratitude.

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