

September 19, 2025

Resolution Celebrating Dr. Robert Boikess

Rutgers University Senate

Whereas Dr. Robert Boikess has served as a dedicated Senator of the Rutgers University Senate for more than 40 years—beginning in approximately **1984**—bringing unmatched institutional wisdom and a deep commitment to shared governance;

Whereas he has been an active and influential member of the **Academic Standards, Regulations, and Admissions Committee**, and has served as the **Executive Committee Faculty Representative, At-Large (New Brunswick Faculty)** in successive terms including **2025–2026**;

Whereas Dr. Boikess has been an active member of numerous Senate committees, offering courageous leadership, demonstrating high ethical and moral standards, and demonstrating an unwavering commitment to the principles of shared governance; and

Whereas Dr. Boikess had been an active member of numerous Senate committees, offering steady leadership, high ethical and moral standards, and an unwavering commitment to the principles of shared governance; and

Whereas Senator Boikess had consistently demonstrated honesty, integrity, and respect in all aspects of his service, earning the admiration of colleagues across the University; and

Whereas through his humor, humility, and generosity, Dr. Boikess enriched the Senate through his collegial spirit and fostered an atmosphere of collaboration and respect; and

Whereas Dr. Boikess was an accomplished chemist who authored hallmark textbooks within the field of chemistry as well as guided and mentored countless students to excel in the life sciences and other disciplines; and

Whereas Senator Boikess' diligence and vision have strengthened the role of the Senate as an essential partner in University governance;

Be it Resolved that the Rutgers University Senate extends its deepest gratitude to Dr. Robert Boikess for his leadership, thoughtfulness, and dedication, and celebrates both his life, legacy, and immense contributions to Rutgers University and the Senate; and

Be it Further Resolved that the Rutgers University Senate, on behalf of all current and past Senators, expresses its appreciation and congratulations to Dr. Boikess, and proudly presents his family with this token of recognition in honor of his distinguished service