DATE:      May 30, 2002
TO:        Board of Trustees
FROM:      Dr. Philip R. Day, Jr., Chancellor

Subject:   HUMAN RESOURCES
Recognition of Service
(Resolution No. 020530-S5)

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

On June 6, 1944 a 19 year old paratrooper in the 101st Airborne, REGINALD ALEXANDER, jumped from a low flying plane and landed near in France on the Normandy peninsula. ‘Reg’ was wounded by enemy fire and suffered serious injuries to both legs. His fellow paratroopers put him in a wheelbarrow and pushed him around the countryside. Reg stayed in a French farmhouse for a few days, but soon left so the Germans would not punish the family. Eventually, the Germans captured his troop and Reg was held captive until the end of the war.

Reg has returned many times to those French battlefields and has participated in several ‘D-day’ reunions. He remains friends with the French family that sheltered him in those first days after the invasion. Reg plans many more visits to ‘D-day’ reunions, perhaps even the 100th anniversary!

After Reg healed and returned to San Francisco, he married his childhood sweetheart, Nida and pursued a long, productive career in San Francisco education. He worked as a teacher and principal in San Francisco Unified. He worked at Polytechnic High School, Washington High School and Hoover Middle School and many other sites. Shortly after the San Francisco Community College District was formed, Reg was hired as the Director of Personnel Services for Certificated employees. He served in this capacity until his retirement in 1985.

As a retiree Reg has assisted many faculty and administrators with their understanding of the State Teachers’ Retirement System for the past 16 years. Reg has provided much needed and appreciated ‘counseling’ for teachers considering retirement. While Reg is ‘leaving’ City College, he is still not really ‘retired’. He currently serves as president of the school board for Sonoma County Schools. While doing his many civic duties, Reg will continue to find time to make long, straight drives and sink challenging birdie putts on the golf courses in the Valley of the Moon.
WHEREAS: Reginald Alexander will discontinue his employment with the City College of San Francisco effective May 24, 2002, after having served the Community College District for fifty-two (52) years

WHEREAS: Reginald Alexander has been a devoted and dedicated certificated employee and administrator for fifty-two (52) years and has served with distinction in such capacities as:

WHEREAS: Reginald Alexander leaves a record of professional service and achievement of which City College of San Francisco may be proud, and one from which the Community College District will benefit for many years to come;

And WHEREAS: Reginald Alexander has assisted hundreds of faculty members in their efforts to plan for their retirement, and has done so in a sensitive and expert manner:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That Reginald Alexander be recognized for his contribution to the educational excellence of the San Francisco Community College District;

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED: That Reginald Alexander be congratulated on this occasion and wished a most rewarding and deserving retirement from his many years of excellent service.

Trustee Natalie Berg
Trustee Rodel Rodis
Trustee Lawrence Wong, originators