

# Proclamation

## HONORING DAN SHUGART

- WHEREAS,** Dan Shugart is a 1979 University of California, Los Angeles graduate and as a sportscaster has been covering Pensacola State College athletics since 1981; and
- WHEREAS,** Dan Shugart, the voice of athletics in Northwest Florida, began his broadcasting career in 1980 at WBSR-1450 AM where he provided play-by-play commentary for the Pensacola Wings semi-professional football team before moving on to WEAR-TV 3 in March 1981; and
- WHEREAS,** Dan Shugart was promoted to WEAR-TV 3 sports director in 1982 after working as a general news reporter and weekend sports anchor; and
- WHEREAS,** Dan Shugart covered the likes of Emmitt Smith and Derrick Brooks when he served as the announcer for high school football games for Pensacola Junior College's WSRE-TV during the 1980s; and
- WHEREAS,** Dan Shugart was the Pirates on-air lead broadcaster when he shared play-by-play action for WSRE's broadcasts of the Pensacola State College's basketball and baseball games – also while serving as the radio voice of the Pensacola Tornados Continental Basketball Association's basketball team; and
- WHEREAS,** Dan Shugart also became the play-by-play announcer for televised games of the Pensacola Ice Pilots and later, broadcasts of the Pensacola Blue Wahoos; and
- WHEREAS,** Dan Shugart was inducted into the Pensacola Sports Hall of Fame, was cited by the Special Olympics as Florida's Broadcaster of the Year, and in 2015 received the Southern League's Media Award; and
- WHEREAS,** Dan Shugart, an Outstanding Pensacola State College Pirate, has twice earned the Associated Press Award for "Top Story in Florida."
- NOW, THEREFORE,** the District Board of Trustees of Pensacola State College, meeting in full session on this 18th day of February, 2020, do fondly and gratefully recognize Dan Shugart for his contributions to Pensacola State College, its teams and its athletic department and do hereby extend to him Best Wishes and Congratulations on being inducted into the Pensacola State College Athletics Hall of Fame, Class of 2020!

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## HONORING VICKI CARSON

- WHEREAS,** Vicki Carson, an Arkansas native, was a pioneering multi-sport athlete and outstanding educator who spent nearly 35 years at Pensacola State College with 25 of those years as the Head Coach for the Women's Basketball Team; and
- WHEREAS,** Vicki Carson earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Arkansas in 1975 and her master's degree from the University of Alabama in 1976; and
- WHEREAS,** Vicki Carson was the first female in the state of Arkansas to receive an athletic scholarship, a four-year starter on the Arkansas women's basketball and volleyball teams and a member of the 1974 state championship volleyball squad. She also played tennis at Arkansas and was the No. 2 singles player and on the No. 1 doubles team; and
- WHEREAS,** Vicki Carson led the Lady Pirates to the 1985 Florida College Athletic Association State Championship, was named the 1985 FCAA Coach of the Year and amassed a record of 515 wins with only 189 losses; and
- WHEREAS,** Vicki Carson guided the Lady Pirates to nine Panhandle Conference Championships, 15 State Final Four appearances, a State Championship runner-up season finish and a National Tournament appearance; and
- WHEREAS,** Vicki Carson joined the NJCAA's 500 Win Club and has been inducted into the Pensacola Sports Hall of Fame, the Florida Community College Activity Association Hall of Fame, the Florida Women's Basketball Hall of Fame and the University of Arkansas at Little Rock Hall of Fame; and
- WHEREAS,** Vicki Carson was once recognized as having the most wins in FCAA Women's Basketball history and was ranked No. 6 All-time by the NJCAA for the Most Wins in Women's Basketball; and
- WHEREAS,** Vicki Carson mentored 50 FCAA Academic All-State Players, two Sandy Miller FCAA Academic Award winners, 100 All-Conference players, placed 100 percent of her student-athletes in universities and had an overall 98 percent graduation rate among her players; and
- WHEREAS,** Vicki Carson, an Outstanding Pensacola State College Pirate, after retiring from coaching, served as an associate professor and human performance and recreation coordinator at Pensacola State College from 2005-2015.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** the District Board of Trustees of Pensacola State College, meeting in full session on this 18th day of February, 2020, do fondly and gratefully recognize Vicki Carson for her contributions to Pensacola State College, the Lady Pirates basketball teams and the athletic department, and do hereby extend to her Best Wishes and Congratulations on being inducted into the Pensacola State College Athletics Hall of Fame, Class of 2020!

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## HONORING DOUG BATES

**WHEREAS,** Doug Bates, a Pensacola native and 1998 Pensacola Junior College graduate, was named All-Conference and a two-time Distinguished Academic All-American as a member of the PJC baseball team and the NJCAA national winner of the Lea Plarski Award in 1998; and

**WHEREAS,** Doug Bates, a 1996 Pensacola Catholic High School graduate, also earned his bachelor's degree in Business Administration, Management and Operations from Birmingham-Southern College in 2000; and his juris doctorate from the University of Florida's Levin College of Law in 2004; and

**WHEREAS,** Doug Bates, while attending Birmingham-Southern College, was named All-Conference, NAIA Academic All-American, played in two NAIA World Series and set a national record for "Hit-by-Pitches" in 2000; and

**WHEREAS,** Doug Bates, in 2018, received the Pensacola Chamber's PACE Award as the Emerging Business Leader of the Year, and in 2001, he was selected Member of the Year by the Florida Bar Association's Business Law Section; and

**WHEREAS,** Doug Bates serves on numerous local, state, and national committees and is actively involved with the American Cancer Society, Bill Bond Youth Baseball League, First Tee of Northwest Florida, First United Methodist Church, Greater Pensacola Chamber of Commerce, Pensacola Catholic High School, Pensacola Sports, and the University of West Florida; and

**WHEREAS,** Doug Bates is a staunch Pensacola State College advocate serving in a number of capacities including the Athletic Boosters Executive Committee and Past President and current member of the Pensacola State College Foundation Board of Governors; and

**WHEREAS,** Doug Bates inspires others through his dedicated and committed leadership on the PSC Foundation Board of Governors where he has given 192 hours of service; and

**WHEREAS,** Doug Bates has exemplified servant leadership while attending meetings; serving on the finance, nominating, executive bylaws and campaign committees for the PSC Foundation Board of Governors; and addressing audiences attending College events and Foundation ceremonies; and

**WHEREAS,** Doug Bates, an Outstanding Pensacola State College Pirate, leads with his heart and inspires investment in the future through his support of Pensacola State College's Big Break, Garde Manger, Holiday Experience, Pars for Pirates and numerous Foundation ceremonies.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** the District Board of Trustees of Pensacola State College, meeting in full session on this 18th day of February, 2020, do fondly and gratefully recognize Doug Bates for his contributions to Pensacola State College, its baseball teams and its athletic department and do hereby extend to him Best Wishes and Congratulations on being inducted into the Pensacola State College Athletics Hall of Fame, Class of 2020!

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## HONORING DR. DONN PEERY

- WHEREAS,** Dr. Donn Peery is a 1957 Pensacola Junior College graduate and a military veteran - having served in the U.S. Army as a police officer; and
- WHEREAS,** Dr. Donn Peery earned his bachelor's and master's degrees from Florida State University and then taught in the Miami public school system for seven years before joining Miami-Dade Community College; and
- WHEREAS,** Dr. Donn Peery, while employed at Miami-Dade Community College, earned his doctorate in the Administration of Higher Education from the University of Miami; and
- WHEREAS,** Dr. Donn Peery returned to Pensacola Junior College in 1978 as the Director of Athletics, and over the next 21 years he also served as the Physical Education Department Chairman, the District Dean of Student Affairs, the Interim Vice President of Academics and Provost of the Community Campus; and
- WHEREAS,** Dr. Donn Peery was the Panhandle Conference Chairman of Athletics for 15 years, and the Vice President and President of the Florida College System Activities Association and elected to the Florida Community College Activity Association's Hall of Fame; and
- WHEREAS,** Dr. Donn Peery was a member of the Executive Board for the National Alliance of Two-Year College Athletic Administrators; and
- WHEREAS,** Dr. Donn Peery was the founding president of the Florida Council of Athletic Affairs; and
- WHEREAS,** Dr. Donn Peery, an Outstanding Pensacola State College Pirate, was honored in 1999 with the naming of the Donn Peery Room in the Lou Ross Center.
- NOW, THEREFORE,** the District Board of Trustees of Pensacola State College, meeting in full session on this 18th day of February, 2020, do fondly and gratefully recognize Dr. Donn Peery for his contributions to Pensacola State College, the athletic department and many other departments and do hereby extend to him Best Wishes and Congratulations on being inducted into the Pensacola State College Athletics Hall of Fame, Class of 2020!

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## HONORING BRENDA PEÑA

- WHEREAS,** Brenda Peña is a Pensacola native and a 1980 Woodham High School graduate, who was the first female athlete to sign a softball scholarship with Pensacola Junior College; and
- WHEREAS,** Brenda Peña, a 1982 graduate of Pensacola Junior College, went on to earn a bachelor's degree from the University of Florida in 1985 and master's degree from the University of West Florida in 1994; and
- WHEREAS,** Brenda Peña, a Woodham High legend, holds the "standing record" for the most varsity letters - 12 - at the school among all student-athletes. A multi-sport phenom, Peña earned four varsity letters in softball, four in basketball, two in track and field, and two in volleyball; and
- WHEREAS,** Brenda Peña was a member of the University of Florida Gators Championship Softball team that finished third in the nation with her receiving All-American honors; and
- WHEREAS,** Brenda Peña was a vital member of the Key Ford Mustangs Women's Major Open Softball team which won national championships in 1985 and 1987, with her receiving All-American honors in 1985, 1987 and 1988; and
- WHEREAS,** Brenda Peña was a member of the Nashville-based UPI Women's Major Open Softball team which won national championships in 1992, 1993 and 1994, with her receiving two more All-American honors in 1991 and 1993; and
- WHEREAS,** Brenda Peña, after teaching and coaching at her high school alma mater from 1985 to 1997, joined Pensacola State College as head softball coach and academic advisor from 1997 to 2015; and
- WHEREAS,** Brenda Peña, an Outstanding Pensacola State College Pirate, was the 2003 Panhandle Conference Softball Coach of the Year after leading the Lady Pirates to the 2003 Panhandle Conference Championship. Over her career, she recorded 924 coaching wins; and
- WHEREAS,** Brenda Peña was a seven-time All-American and a five-time National Champion; and
- WHEREAS,** Brenda Peña is an asset to her community. In 1999, she became the first female inducted into the Pensacola North Rotary and was named a Rotarian Paul Harris Fellow in 2001.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** the District Board of Trustees of Pensacola State College, meeting in full session on this 18th day of February, 2020, do fondly and gratefully recognize Brenda Peña for her contributions to Pensacola State College, its softball teams and its athletic department and do hereby extend to her Best Wishes and Congratulations on being inducted into the Pensacola State College Athletics Hall of Fame, Class of 2020!

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