THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

Appointment of Joshua Freeman as Distinguished Professor at Queens College

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of The City University of New York appoint Dr. Joshua Freeman as Distinguished Professor of History at Queens College effective September 1, 2013, with compensation of $28,594 per annum in addition to his regular academic salary, subject to financial ability.

EXPLANATION: Joshua Freeman, an eminent historian whose reputation was forged in the area of labor history, has held the rank of full professor at Queens College since 2000. In addition to teaching undergraduates at Queens College, he teaches at the Graduate Center—where he served as Executive Officer for the Ph.D. Program in History—and at the Murphy Institute.

After completing his undergraduate degree at Harvard University, Dr. Freeman began his graduate studies in history at The City College of New York before earning his doctorate at Rutgers. His first book, In Transit: The Transport Workers Union in New York City, 1933-1966 (Oxford University Press, 1989), won the prestigious Philip Taft Labor History Book Award. His second monograph, Working-Class New York: Life and Labor Since World War II (The New Press, 2000), was awarded the New York Society Library Book Prize for History. His most recent book, American Empire, 1945-2000: The Rise of a Global Power, the Democratic Revolution at Home, was published by Viking last year and will be released in paperback this summer. In addition to the admiration that is accorded Professor Freeman within academia, he is respected widely in the public arena and is often called upon to speak, write, and consult in a variety of media.

Queens College, The Graduate Center, The Murphy Institute, and The City University of New York will be well-served by Dr. Freeman’s appointment as Distinguished Professor.