YORK COLLEGE

Naming of the Leslie Lewis-Jack Schlein Professorship in Natural Sciences

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of The City University of New York approve the naming of the “Leslie Lewis-Jack Schlein Professorship in Natural Sciences” at York College.

EXPLANATION: Professors Leslie Lewis and Jack Schlein, now retired, were longtime members of the Biology faculty in the Natural Sciences Department at York College. Both professors were prolific and well-respected researchers. Professor Schlein also served as the pre-medical advisor for more than three decades. Professors Lewis and Schlein have inspired and mentored scores of physicians, dentists, researchers and other scientists over their decades at York College. In gratitude to their mentors in the Natural Sciences at York, several of Professor Lewis’s and Professor Schlein’s former students have made pledges and contributions in their honor to The York College Foundation, in a combination of cash and deferred gifts and pledges totaling in excess of $750,000. Donated funds are being placed in an endowment fund which, as the endowment grows, will help recruit and retain outstanding faculty, fund faculty and student research and travel to academic conferences, provide scholarship support, and help meet other special needs such as paying for MCAT or GRE preparation for students who could not otherwise afford it. This will be York College’s first professorship named by alumni.

In recognition of their decades of mentorship and of the financial commitments made in their honor, The York College Foundation requests the approval of the CUNY Board of Trustees to name the “Leslie Lewis-Jack Schlein Professorship in Natural Sciences.”