

## RESOLUTION HONORING BEN CARDIN, RETIRING U.S. SENATOR REPRESENTING MARYLAND

St. John's College Board of Visitors and Governors October 26, 2024 Annapolis, Maryland

WHEREAS, third-generation Marylander Ben Cardin, graduate of the University of Maryland School of Law and U.S. Senator, shall retire this year after completing fifty-seven years of public service, including as a member of Maryland's House of Delegates from 1967 to 1986, and thirty-seven years in both the U.S. House of Representatives from 1987 to 2006, and the U.S. Senate since 2006, and;

WHEREAS, while serving on the Senate Small Business and Entrepreneurship Committee, Senator Cardin supported past requests from St. John's and this year's "Uncovering Our Past, Transforming Our Future" project to identify, digitize, and curate documents, particularly those reflecting historic racial injustices in Annapolis, Maryland, and;

WHEREAS, Senator Cardin provided national representation at St. John's College President Nora Demleitner's inauguration;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE RESOLVED by the Board of Visitors and Governors of St. John's College to recognize the significant professional achievements of Ben Cardin and herewith express its sincere gratitude for his public service, the invaluable contributions he has made to higher education, his support of independent higher education and specifically St. John's College, and his guidance to and leadership in the State of Maryland.