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October 10, 2013

Dr. Eddy Souffrant
Faculty President

Dear Eddy:

In accordance with the faculty policy concerning award of posthumous degrees, I am forwarding a request from the William States Lee College of Engineering to award an undergraduate degree at the 2013 December commencement:

Justin Tratt (Kaitlin Laffitte), B.S.M.E. degree, major in Mechanical Engineering

The justification for the awarding of the degree is attached. I endorse this request and ask that it be considered for faculty approval at the next Faculty Executive Committee meeting.

Sincerely,

Joan F. Lorden
Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

Attachment

cc: Bob Johnson, Dean, William States Lee College of Engineering
Kevin Scott Smith, Chair, Department of Mechanical Engineering and
Engineering Science
Chris Knauer, Registrar



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DATE: October 9, 2013
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FROM: Ronald E. Smelser, Senior Associate Dean *RESm*
RE: Posthumous Degree
CC: Robert E. Johnson, Dean
Scott Smith, Chair, Mechanical Engineering &
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The William States Lee College of Engineering requests that a posthumous degree be awarded to Justin Tratt (Kaitlin Laffitte) a transgender student. The student completed 109 hours toward the BSME degree prior to his (her) death.