

B. MEDGAR EVERS COLLEGE - NAMING OF THE LIBRARY - THE CHARLES EVANS INNIS MEMORIAL LIBRARY:

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of The City University of New York approve the naming of the Library at Medgar Evers College, the Charles Evans Inniss Memorial Library.

EXPLANATION: Charles Evans Inniss devoted his life to community, social, and educational concerns. He was an outstanding public servant, a member of the Board of Trustees of The City University of New York, and Chair of The City University Construction Fund. A devoted advocate of the need to provide an opportunity for higher education to all New Yorkers, particularly the disadvantaged, Trustee Inniss was a devoted friend of Medgar Evers College. Moreover, he was the personification of the philosophy, mission, and vision of both Medgar Evers College and The City University of New York. His staunch support of the College, which was well known, inspired his colleagues at Brooklyn Union Gas Company to establish a scholarship at the College in his memory. The College Council of Medgar Evers College, voted unanimously on March 17, 1997, to name the College Library in his honor; therefore, it is altogether fitting that the Medgar Evers College Library be known hereafter as the Charles Evans Inniss Memorial Library.

Committee Chair Murphy stated that as you know, Charlie died early in 1997 after a long illness. But, he worked on CUNY matters up until a couple of weeks before his death. He was an outstanding public servant who devoted his life to community, social, and educational concerns. He was the personification of the philosophy, mission, and vision of both Medgar Evers and CUNY. It is therefore a fitting tribute for the library of Medgar Evers to be known as the Charles Evans Inniss Memorial Library.