

**ILLINOIS STATE
UNIVERSITY**

**BOARD OF
TRUSTEES**

Resolution No. 2024.10/61

Authorization to Name

Dr. John C. and Erma K. Stutzman

Faculty Collaboration Suite

Resolution

Whereas, the Board of Trustees, as authorized by the Board of Trustees Governing Document, Section C, Policies, Subsection IV-C, Naming of Facilities, shall approve the naming of all facilities at the University; and

Whereas, the faculty collaboration suite in the Mennonite College of Nursing Simulation Center is located in Normal, IL; and

Whereas, the Stutzman estate has committed financial resources to Illinois State University; and

Whereas, the University Naming Committee has recommended, and President Tarhule has endorsed the recommendation as described herein:

Therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Trustees in regular meeting assembled, approves the naming of the faculty suite in the Mennonite College of Nursing Simulation Center as the “Dr. John C. and Erma K. Stutzman Faculty Collaboration Suite” in recognition of financial support to Illinois State University.

Board Action on:	_____	Postpone:	_____
Motion by:	_____	Amend:	_____
Second by:	_____	Disapprove:	_____
Vote:	Yeas: _____ Nays: _____	Approve:	_____

ATTEST: Board Action, October 11, 2024

Secretary / Chairperson

Board of Trustees
Illinois State University
Authorization to Name the Dr. John C. and Erma K. Stutzman Faculty Collaboration Suite

Mennonite College of Nursing respectfully requests naming the faculty collaboration suite in the Nursing Simulation Center as the Dr. John C. and Erma K. Stutzman Faculty Collaboration Suite. This naming reflects and recognizes the generous estate gift of John and Erma Stutzman for the new nursing building.

Dr. John Stutzman (1928-2019) was born in Bloomington as the son of Clarence and Clara Stutzman. Clara was a 1923 graduate of the Mennonite Nursing School. In 1972, John married Erma Hunsberger from Ontario, Canada and they resided in Bloomington for many years. John was a graduate of Bluffton College and later became a physician, starting a Central Illinois urology practice, Affiliated Urology. John and Erma later moved to Canada so Erma could be near her family before passing in 2021.

One of the first scholarships established for the Mennonite College of Nursing was in memory of John's mother Clara. For more than 20 years, the *Clara Stutzman Endowed Scholarship* has helped nursing students with a financial need who demonstrate brotherhood, sharing, and servanthood.

The Stutzman Family strongly valued education and medicine. As a result, their estate gift designated for the Mennonite College of Nursing will have a profound impact on nursing students and the Nursing Simulation Center.