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December 17, 2019

Dr. Joel Avrin  
Faculty President  
UNC Charlotte

Dear Joel,

In accordance with the faculty policy concerning award of posthumous degrees and degrees in memoriam, I am forwarding a request from The William States Lee College of Engineering to issue a degree in memoriam:

**Name:** Aleksi Kinnunen

**Degree:** Bachelor of Science Degree in Memoriam

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, The Williams States Lee College of Engineering  
Ron Smelser, Senior Associate Dean, The William States Lee College of Engineering  
Asis Nasipuri, Chair, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering  
Christine Reed Davis, Dean of Students  
Jon Reece, University Registrar  
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**DATE:** December 16, 2019  
**TO:** Joan Lorden, Provost  
**FROM:** Ronald E. Smelser, Senior Associate Dean *RESm*  
**RE:** Degree in Memoriam Aleksi Kinnunen  
**CC:** Christine Davis, Dean of Students  
Robert E. Johnson, Dean  
Asis Nasipuri, Chair, Electrical and Computer Engineering  
Leslie Zenk, Assistant Provost

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The Electrical and Computer Engineering faculty unanimously agreed as a faculty on December 11, 2019 to award Aleksi Kinnunen a Bachelor of Science Degree in Memoriam. Aleksi was a transfer student and had completed less than the 90 credits hours required for his degree making him eligible for this degree according to university policy. Please forward this request to Faculty Council for their concurrence.