Welcoming Address to the Honorand by Vice Rector for Academic Affairs, Professor George Kossioris

Dear honorable Minister, Your Excellency, Dear representatives of the Local and State Authorities, Dear Colleagues and Students,

Being a Vice Rector of the University of Crete, I truly believe that the University of Crete is definitely ranked first among Higher Education Institutions in Greece. The Humanities Departments of our University have a large share in this distinction. Today's event is a proof of that. We are proud and honored to welcome Professor Gregory Nagy to the family of the University of Crete.

Professor Nagy has served Hellenic Studies with his pioneering research work on the Homeric epics and archaic poetry and also as a Director of the Center of Hellenic Studies at Harvard University. His work has inspired many students and researchers.

Dear Gregory, we thank you for your devotion and contribution all these years and we are honored to award you the title of Honorary Doctor of the University of Crete. Our best wishes to continue your work in good health throughout the years to come.



Fig. 3: Welcoming address by Vice Rector, Prof. G. Kossioris



Fig. 4: The Chairman of Philology, Prof. S. Panayotakis reading the resolution