

**IV. REPORT OF THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS****Resolution of Appreciation to  
Mark A. Emmert**

WHEREAS, Mark A. Emmert served from 2004-2010 with great distinction as president of the University of Washington, providing exceptional leadership to one of the world's great research universities; and

WHEREAS, his deep and abiding commitment to the role public higher education plays in our society, as evidenced by his spending his entire higher education career in service to public universities, made him especially effective in directing the mission of the University to serve the citizens of the State of Washington; and

WHEREAS, his understanding of the necessity to communicate broadly and effectively about the importance of the University, and his own special talents as an accomplished orator, resulted in a more robust level of communication to the University's many constituents and a greater appreciation for the impact of the University on people's lives; and

WHEREAS, his creativity and imagination in approaching challenges and opportunities helped foster a spirit of innovation and collaboration throughout the University, leading to a belief in limitless possibilities, even in the face of limited resources; and

WHEREAS, his engagement with alumni and other members of the community and their confidence in his leadership of the University contributed significantly to the successful completion of the largest private fundraising campaign in the University's history and one of the largest at the time of any public university; and

WHEREAS, his staunch support for the University's research mission and his innate curiosity made him a valuable asset in helping to attract some of the world's best minds to the University of Washington, securing its place as the most successful public research university in America in competing for federal support for research; and

WHEREAS, his strong belief that an education from the University of Washington must be accessible to all qualified people from all economic strata led to the establishment of the Husky Promise, guaranteeing that students from lower income backgrounds could attain their dream of attending the University of Washington; and

WHEREAS, his lively mind, clever wit, broad intelligence, and engaging personal style won him warm esteem and many friends in the community and at the University;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the members of the Board of Regents express to Mark A. Emmert their deepest gratitude on behalf of the entire University community and their own personal thanks for his six years of exceptional leadership and dedicated service, that we wish him continued success and great happiness in all his future endeavors as he departs to take the helm of the NCAA, and that this Resolution be spread upon the minutes of the Board as a permanent record of the Board's sincere appreciation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Board of Regents hereby confers upon Mark A. Emmert the title of President Emeritus of the University, effective October 1, 2010.