#### B. Finance, Audit and Facilities Committee

<u>College of Arts and Sciences - Amending Endowment Agreement for Costigan</u> Lectureship in History

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

This is a recommendation of the Finance, Audit and Facilities Committee that the Giovanni and Amne Costigan Endowed Lectureship in History be amended, expanding the original purpose of supporting visiting lecturers by also creating the Giovanni and Amne Costigan Endowed Professorship in History to support permanent faculty members in that department.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

Giovanni Costigan was a beloved member of the University's Department of History from 1934 until his official retirement in 1975. After his death in 1990, his wife Amne created the Giovanni and Amne Costigan Endowed Lectureship in History, whose purpose is "to bring to the University of Washington distinguished lecturers in any field of history other than U.S. History." Amne Costigan signed an endowment agreement for this lectureship, dated October 24, 1991, which included a provision giving the Board of Regents the authority to amend the purpose of the endowment if necessary after her death.

Amne Costigan died in 1995. Gifts made during her lifetime and through her estate, and gifts in memory of Giovanni Costigan from friends and alumni, have created an endowment with a market value of \$877,787 as of July 1, 2005. The size of the endowment makes it impractical for the Department of History to spend all of the income on visiting lecturers. Expanding the purpose of the endowment will allow the Department to continue the original purpose and also to attract, retain, and reward outstanding permanent faculty members.

The Department of History is one of the most popular in the College of Arts and Sciences, measured by student demand for courses. History currently has forty-two permanent faculty members, but only three are supported by endowed positions (one endowed chair and two endowed professorships). In expanding the purpose of the current endowment, the Department wishes to retain the restriction to non-U.S. history in the Lectureship, while giving preference to non-U.S. history in the Professorship.

The original endowment agreement provides for the Regents to amend the purpose/use of the endowment, while adhering close to the original intent. The request of the Department to amend and expand the purpose of this endowment is supported by the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, the Provost, the

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Executive Vice President, and the Vice President for Development and Alumni Relations. The Costigan Professorship will be especially valuable in cases where the University has trouble keepings its salaries competitive.

In approving this recommendation, the Board of Regents authorizes the Attorney General's Office to take action petitioning the King County Superior Court to approve the amendment of the Giovanni and Amne Costigan Endowed Lectureship in History and also create the Giovanni and Amne Costigan Endowed Professorship in History. Copies of agreements for the existing and the proposed endowments are attached.

#### **ENCLOSURES:**

The Giovanni and Amne Costigan Endowed Lectureship in History Amendment to the Giovanni and Amne Costigan Endowed Lectureship in History

#### GIOVANNI AND AMNE COSTIGAN ENDOWED LECTURESHIP IN HISTORY

#### I. Establishment

The University of Washington hereby agrees to establish the GIOVANNI AND AMNE COSTIGAN ENDOWED LECTURESHIP per the terms of this agreement, to become effective on such date as the minimum funding requirements for a lectureship have been received and accepted by the University.

## II. Purpose

The purpose of this Lectureship shall be to bring to the University of Washington distinguished lecturers in any field of history other than U. S. history.

This Lectureship is created in memory of Giovanni Costigan by his wife, Amne. Giovanni Costigan became assistant professor of history at the University of Washington in 1934 at the age of 29, and remained a faculty member in the Department of History until his official retirement in 1975. He was able to continue teaching informally for a time thereafter. A specialist in Irish history, Costigan's scholarship and dedication to the study of history, together with his ability to motivate generations of students into heightened enthusiasm for learning, earned him a far-reaching reputation as an inspiring teacher. He was also recognized as a visionary activist who supported such movements as the anti-Vietnam War protest, and openly criticized U. S. involvement in Central America.

# III. Funding

This Lectureship shall be funded with a gift of the proceeds of a charitable gift annuity and any other gifts or bequests that Amne Costigan or other persons may designate for this purpose.

## IV. Investment

All contributions for this Lectureship fund may, for investment purposes, be merged with any of the investment assets of the University of Washington, but these gifts shall be entered in the University's books and records as the endowment for the GIOVANNI AND AMNE COSTIGAN ENDOWED LECTURESHIP IN HISTORY. The distributed income shall be used for purposes authorized by this agreement. The investment, management, and expenditure of all funds shall be in accordance with University policies and procedures.

#### V. Selection

The selection of the Costigan Lecturer shall be made by the Chair of the Department of History, or his or her designee, from the candidates nominated by a committee of faculty. The Chair shall submit the candidate selected for approval by the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, or his or her designee.

The Costigan Lecturer shall be a specialist in any field of history other than U. S. history. The holder must have a record that reflects a demonstrated and distinguished commitment to teaching and may be an independent scholar, a retired faculty member, or have other appropriate scholarly qualifications.

An appointment to the Giovanni and Amne Costigan Lectureship shall not exceed a term of three years. The holder of the Costigan Lectureship shall be expected to teach undergraduate courses including, where possible, both day and evening classes.

If in a given year no individual is appointed to the Lectureship, or if income shall be insufficient to support the Lectureship in successive years, income may be accumulated or reinvested in the endowment at the discretion of the administrator of the fund.

## VI. Authorized Expenditures

Consistent with the objectives of this Lectureship, income from the endowment may be expended for:

Stipends to visiting and resident lecturers;

Travel, accommodations, receptions and related expenses

Publication expenses;

Secretarial and research assistance for visiting and resident lecturers; and

Other reasonable expenses related to the Lectureship.

## VII. Administration

The Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences shall be responsible for administering the Lectureship. Expenditures relating to it shall be subject to University of Washington accounting procedures and guidelines.

## VIII. Amendment

This agreement may be amended by the mutual consent of the University of Washington and the donor, during her lifetime.

If changed circumstances should at some future time cause the continuation of this Lectureship to be inappropriate or impractical, and the donor is either not living or not able to consent to an amendment, then the Board of Regents may redesignate the purpose of the endowment constituting this Lectureship, and the income therefrom, providing that the fund shall continue to bear the names of Giovanni and Amne Costigan, and that the amended terms shall adhere as closely as possible to the donor's original intent for this fund.

Dated this 24th day of October, 1991.

DONOR:

FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON:

Laurel L. Wilkening
Provost

Amne Costigan

Tallman Trask III

Executive Vice President

Approved as to form:

Attorney General's Division State of Washington

## Giovanni and Amne Costigan Endowed Professorship in History

Amendment to the Giovanni and Amne Costigan Endowed Lectureship in History

Pursuant to Section VIII, Amendment, of the GIOVANNI AND AMNE COSTIGAN ENDOWED LECTURESHIP IN HISTORY agreement dated October 24, 1991, the University of Washington ("the University"), hereby amends the GIOVANNI AND AMNE COSTIGAN ENDOWED LECTURESHIP IN HISTORY agreement and create the Giovanni and Amne Costigan Endowed Professorship in History on the following terms.

The Giovanni and Amne Costigan Endowed Professorship in History is created pursuant to a court approved amendment to the agreement for the GIOVANNI AND AMNE COSTIGAN ENDOWED LECTURESHIP IN HISTORY dated October 24, 1991 and signed by Amne Costigan, who is deceased:

#### I. Establishment

The University of Washington ("the University") hereby establishes the GIOVANNI AND AMNE COSTIGAN ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIP IN HISTORY per the terms of this document.

#### II. Purpose

The purpose of this endowment shall be to enhance the University's ability to attract and retain distinguished faculty in the Department of History, with a preference for faculty in any field of history other than U.S. history. This endowment is created with gifts from Amne

Costigan in memory of her husband, history professor Giovanni Costigan, as well as gifts from friends and former students of Giovanni and Amne Costigan.

Giovanni Costigan was born February 15, 1905, in England. His father was a poor Irish Catholic peasant farmer who had married the daughter of his wealthy Anglo-Irish landlord. Costigan's mother was from a Protestant family that had lived in Ireland for 300 years. His parents eloped to England and settled in Brighton. Giovanni, the youngest of their three children, was educated at a Catholic boarding school in Sussex and at Oxford University. At the age of 22 he came to the United States for graduate study at the University of Wisconsin. After completing his PhD in 1930, he spent four years teaching at the University of Idaho, Southern Branch (then in Pocatello), where he met and married Amne Johnson, daughter of a pioneer Idaho family.

Giovanni and Amne moved to Seattle in 1934 when, at the age of 29, he became assistant professor of history at the University of Washington. He remained a faculty member in the Department of History until his official retirement in 1975. He was able to continue teaching informally for the rest of his life, including a popular public lecture series sponsored by the University of Washington Alumni Association. A specialist in Irish history, Costigan's scholarship and dedication to the study of history, together with his ability to motivate generations of students into heightened enthusiasm for learning, earned him a far-reaching reputation as an inspiring teacher.

He was also recognized as a visionary activist who supported such movements as the anti-Vietnam War protest, and openly criticized U.S. involvement in Central America. Giovanni Costigan died in 1990, while he and Amne were traveling in Spain. Amne Costigan followed her husband in death in November 1995. The papers of Giovanni and Amne Costigan were given to the University of Washington Libraries through her estate as a record of their long and active involvement in scholarship and civic affairs, both at the University of Washington and beyond.

This endowment shall be funded with the following:

- Two-thirds of the principal currently invested as the GIOVANNI AND AMNE
   COSTIGAN ENDOWED LECTURESHIP IN HISTORY, budget number 99-0438.
   (The Lectureship shall continue to be funded with one-third of the principal, and continue to be administered according to the agreement dated October 24, 1991.)
- 2. Any other gifts, bequests, or other funds in memory of Giovanni or Amne Costigan, whose purpose is not otherwise specified, shall be added to this Professorship.

#### IV. Investment

All contributions to this endowment may, for investment purposes, be merged with any of the investment assets of the University of Washington, but these gifts shall be entered in the University's books and records as the GIOVANNI AND AMNE COSTIGAN ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIP IN HISTORY. Distributions shall be made from the endowment in the manner and amount provided for in the policies established for such endowment funds by the Board of Regents and shall be used for the purposes authorized by this document. As authorized by the Board of Regents, the investment, management, and expenditure practices applied to the principal and earnings of this endowment, and the management and advancement fees assessed against the endowment, shall be done in accordance with University policies and procedures.

#### V. Selection

Distributions from this endowment may be used to support one or more faculty members in the Department of History. These appointments may bear the name of either Giovanni or Amne Costigan, or both of them.

Candidates for a Costigan professorship shall have demonstrated, through professional activities, expertise and successful teaching in history, with a preference for non-U.S. History. They may include current members of the faculty, individuals being recruited for a faculty position, or visiting faculty members.

The recommendation for appointment shall be made by the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, in consultation with the Chair of the Department of History, in accordance with University policies and procedures, and shall be subject to approval by the President and the Board of Regents.

Each appointment shall be for an indefinite period or a limited term, as recommended by the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, and shall be subject to review in accordance with University policies and procedures.

If in a given year no individual is identified for this endowed professorship, the distributions may be accumulated or reinvested in the endowment at the discretion of the Administrator of the Fund.

### VI. Authorized Expenditures

A portion of the distributions from this endowment may be paid to the holder of a Costigan professorship as part of the compensation for his or her services. Distributions in excess of the amount needed to provide such compensation in any year may be used to pay the costs of research or professional activities, including the cost of student research assistants, to purchase supplies or equipment, or to support other activities that contribute to the productivity of the holder of the professorship.

#### VII. Administration

The Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, or his or her designee, shall be the administrator of this endowment. Expenditures relating to it shall be subject to University of Washington accounting procedures and guidelines.

# VIII. Amendment

If changed circumstances should at some future time cause the continuation of this endowment to be inappropriate or impractical, then the Board of Regents may redesignate the purpose of the endowment, and the distributions therefrom, provided that the endowment shall continue to bear the names of Giovanni and Amne Costigan, and that the amended terms shall adhere as closely as possible to the original intent stated in Section II. of this document.

	FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON
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