WHEREAS, Jerry Grinstein has completed six years of exemplary service to the Board of Regents, the University of Washington, and the citizens of the state; and

WHEREAS, his longstanding commitment to serving the University of Washington and the Northwest has been manifest through his volunteer and philanthropic activities on numerous boards, including the UW Business School Advisory Board, the Seattle Symphony Board, the Henry M. Jackson Foundation Board, and as co-chair of the University’s first ever major fundraising campaign, the Campaign for Washington; and

WHEREAS, he provided outstanding leadership to the Board as chair of the Capital Assets Committee, Vice President of the Board in 2001-02, and President of the Board of Regents for an unprecedented two consecutive terms from 2002-2004; and

WHEREAS, he ably guided the University during its search for a new president, culminating in the appointment of Mark A. Emmert as the 30th president of the University of Washington; and

WHEREAS, in addition, his remarkable talent and experience in leading complex organizations and in managing people through difficult times helped steer the University through several challenging episodes and kept it on course as one of America’s preeminent public research universities; and

WHEREAS, his boundless energy, wisdom commensurate with his years, infectious enthusiasm, irreverent wit and spirited vitality have instilled in those who served and worked with him the belief that any obstacle is surmountable and any challenge can be overcome; and

WHEREAS, his keen vision, steady judgment and extraordinary dedication to his Regental responsibilities (for a fellow from Yale and Harvard) have left the University a better place for all;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the members of the Board of Regents express to Jerry Grinstein their gratitude and admiration on behalf of the entire University community, and their own personal thanks for his friendship, his loyal service, and his brilliant contributions to the work of the Board, that we consider him a genuine mensch and wish him continued success and happiness in all his endeavors, and that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the Board as a permanent record of the Board’s sincere appreciation.