

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION HONORING HORACIO A. VALEIRAS

WHEREAS, Mr. Horacio A. Valeiras, an alumnus of the Class of 1980, having earned a bachelor's degree in Chemical Engineering, was appointed by Governor Terry McAuliffe to the Board of Visitors of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University in 2014, and reappointed by Governor Ralph Northam in 2018; and

WHEREAS, early in his tenure, Horacio served as a member of the former Finance and Audit Committee and the former Research Committee, and after the restructuring served on the Compliance, Audit, and Risk Committee, the Buildings and Grounds Committee, the Governance and Administration Committee, and the Executive committee. He also served as chair of the Finance and Resource Management Committee in 2018; and

WHEREAS, the driving force behind the first major restructuring of the Board committees in over thirty years in 2017, Horacio was elected Vice Rector of the Board in 2018, and went on to serve as Rector from 2019 to 2021; and

WHEREAS, distance has never been an obstacle to his involvement and willingness to participate, as Horacio has traveled from his home in California to attend Board meetings, special meetings, and university events, and fulfill other obligations as a Board member and Rector over the past eight years; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his service on the Board of Visitors, Horacio is a benefactor of the university and former chair of the Virginia Tech Foundation Board, as well as one of the tri-chairs of Boundless Impact: Campaign for Virginia Tech launched in 2019; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Board have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know Horacio and his wife, Amy, and have enjoyed their company at Board meetings, football games, and other university events;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the Board of Visitors of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University hereby extend their sincere appreciation to Mr. Horacio A. Valeiras for his outstanding loyalty and devoted service, and for his faithful dedication to the university and its missions.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the resolution recognizing Horacio A. Valeiras for his service as a member of the Board of Visitors be approved.

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