A RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR PRESIDENT STEVEN KNAPP (17/6)

WHEREAS, Steven Knapp has served for ten years as President of The George Washington University with imagination and energy during a period of significant growth and transformation for the University; and

WHEREAS, Steven Knapp has focused his presidency on enhancing the University’s partnerships with neighboring institutions, expanding the scope of its research, improving its infrastructure, strengthening its worldwide community of alumni, enlarging its students’ opportunities for public service, and leading its transformation into a model of urban sustainability; and

WHEREAS, Steven Knapp led the reorganization of the University’s Medical Center, which resulted in the creation of three distinct schools with their own organizational structures (the School of Medicine and Health Sciences, the Milken Institute School of Public Health, and the School of Nursing), as well as the expansion of their clinical services, producing many benefits in terms of improved student education, increased research, and enhanced patient care; and

WHEREAS, During Steven Knapp’s tenure, the University completed construction of the Science and Engineering Hall and the Milken Institute School of Public Health LEED Sustainable Building, acquired the Corcoran School of Arts and Design (including the historic Flagg Building), expanded the Virginia Science & Technology Campus, and constructed or renovated several residence halls and other academic buildings; and

WHEREAS, Steven Knapp has announced that he will step down from his position as President in August 2017 to become a member of the faculty; and

WHEREAS, In accordance with their respective responsibilities under Section IV.A.(4.1)(e) of the Faculty Code of The George Washington University, and in recognition of Steven Knapp’s contributions and achievements, the Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate, the Department of English, and the Columbian College of Arts and Sciences have jointly recommended that he be appointed to the rank of University Professor of English; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FACULTY SENATE OF THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY:

That the Faculty Senate hereby expresses its great appreciation to Steven Knapp for his ten years of service as President of The George Washington University, commends Dr. Knapp for his many contributions to the University, including his efforts to promote a wider recognition of the University’s accomplishments throughout the nation and the world, and welcomes Dr. Knapp as a faculty colleague.

THE FACULTY SENATE OF THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY HEREBY EXPRESS ITS DEEPEST ADMIRATION, APPRECIATION AND GRATITUDE TO PRESIDENT STEVEN KNAPP FOR HIS DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP

Adopted by acclamation
Charles A. Garris, Jr., Chair
April 7, 2017
Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate