Dr. Patricia B. Kwachka
Professor of Anthropology and Linguistics, Emerita

WHEREAS Dr. Patricia B. Kwachka has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching, research and public service from 1979 to 2006; and

WHEREAS Dr. Kwachka’s training in linguistic, cultural, archaeological and biological anthropology has greatly enriched her students’ experience in the classroom; and has been an inspiring mentor and advisor to many undergraduate students and candidates for master of arts and doctoral degrees; and

WHEREAS Dr. Kwachka has gained a reputation around the world for her particular expertise in linguistic anthropology, especially in Choctaw as well as in several Alaska Native languages; and has built a distinguished record of scholarship in more than two dozen books, chapters, articles, monographs and other publications; and has shared her work in lectures and presentations at more than fifty conferences, meetings and training sessions throughout Alaska, the United States and the world; and

WHEREAS Dr. Kwachka’s impressive range of service demonstrates a willingness to assume a variety of leadership roles; and has chaired or otherwise served on the Cross-cultural Communications Program and various department review and search committees; and has twice served as Associate Dean for the College of Liberal Arts; and has participated as a judge or reviewer in statewide student essay competitions; and has been an expert reviewer for several federal agencies;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Dr. Patricia B. Kwachka for her extensive contributions to both the State of Alaska and the University; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Fairbanks, in further recognition of the invaluable services rendered by Dr. Kwachka and as evidence of the University’s desire that her identification with the University be maintained, hereby salutes the appointment of Dr. Patricia B. Kwachka as Professor of Anthropology and Linguistics, Emerita; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be appropriately engrossed and signed by the Chancellor of the University of Alaska Fairbanks as further evidence of the esteem and respect in which he holds Dr. Patricia B. Kwachka, and conveyed to Dr. Kwachka on this day of May 14, 2006.