WHEREAS Dr. Michael Schuldiner has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching, research and public service from 1980 to 2008; and

WHEREAS Dr. Schuldiner has been a dynamic and engaging teacher, whose wide-ranging interests in American and world literature, history and thought fostered equally wide-ranging classroom discussions and inquiries; and has been recognized for his work on students’ behalf with the University of Alaska Fairbanks Advisor of the Year Award and two College Teacher of the Year awards; and

WHEREAS Dr. Schuldiner has demonstrated his own devotion to scholarship with the publication of books and articles exploring primarily the influence of religion and spirituality in early American literature; and was the founding editor of Studies in Puritan American Spirituality, an academic journal published between 1991 and 2004; and has been recognized for his academic work with many prestigious awards and fellowships; and

WHEREAS Dr. Schuldiner has pursued a diverse range of activities benefitting the University, the State and academe in general, including serving on institutional committees, providing expertise for local events, and organizing academic conferences as well as presenting his own work at others;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Dr. Michael Schuldiner for his 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. Schuldiner and as evidence of the University’s desire that his identification with the University be maintained, hereby salutes the appointment of Dr. Michael Schuldiner as Professor of English, Emeritus; 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. Michael Schuldiner, and conveyed to Dr. Schuldiner on this day of May 10, 2009.