DR. JOHN R. HOPKINS
Professor of Music, Emeritus

WHEREAS Dr. John R. Hopkins has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching, research and public service from 1979 to 2014; and

WHEREAS Dr. Hopkins has worked diligently with numerous vocal students, many of whom have won vocal competitions in Alaska and have, within the past decade alone, finished in first, second or third place at national competitions; and has similarly extended his pedagogical skills to members of the music community at large; and

WHEREAS Dr. Hopkins has been the acting Director and Conductor of the Choir of the North for thirty-five years; was in 1992 the founding Director and Conductor of the Alaska Camerata, which has toured to Washington, D.C., and twice to Europe; and has offered significant support to local music and cultural events through his direction, conducting or other expertise; and

WHEREAS Dr. Hopkins served for a decade as Chair of the Department of Music, during which time he oversaw the crucial rebuilding of the Department as it underwent extensive changes; oversaw the successful accreditation of the Department in 1999; and has in many other capacities offered his leadership and counsel on a variety of administrative tasks necessary to the success of the Department as a center for teaching, scholarship and performance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Dr. John R. Hopkins for his extensive contributions to the State of Alaska and to the University; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Fairbanks, in further recognition of the invaluable services rendered by Dr. Hopkins and as evidence of the University’s desire that his identification with the University be maintained, hereby salutes the appointment of Dr. John R. Hopkins as Professor of Music, 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. John R. Hopkins, and conveyed to Dr. Hopkins on this day of May 11, 2014.