WHEREAS Dr. Gordon Lee Pullar has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching, research and public service from 1992 to 2014; and

WHEREAS Dr. Pullar has been a thoughtful and persistent teacher and mentor for untold numbers of students, encouraging them to identify and achieve their personal and educational goals, such that many rural Alaskans and Alaska Natives in leadership positions throughout the State can identify him as among their champions; and

WHEREAS Dr. Pullar’s research has broadened our understanding of Alaska’s rich indigenous knowledge base and has brought new knowledge in the form of publications related to cultural identity, cultural revitalization, Alaska Natives, archaeology and repatriation; and whose extensive findings led to his being the first recipient of the Angayuqaq Oscar Kawagley Indigenous Scholar Award in recognition of his exemplary contributions to articulating the significance of indigenous knowledge systems; and

WHEREAS Dr. Pullar’s expertise in indigenous issues has made him an excellent public servant in his many and varied roles in tribal and regional government, cultural and community development organizations, and he has made significant contributions to and held leadership roles within prestigious international entities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Dr. Gordon Lee Pullar 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. Pullar and as evidence of the University’s desire that his identification with the University be maintained, hereby salutes the appointment of Dr. Gordon Lee Pullar as Associate Professor of Rural Development, 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. Gordon Lee Pullar, and conveyed to Dr. Pullar on this day of May 11, 2014.