



RESOLUTION
conferring upon
DR. KATHERINE L. ARNDT
the title of
Associate Professor of Library Science, Emeritus

WHEREAS Dr. Katherine L. Arndt has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching, research and public service from 1989 to 2023; and

WHEREAS Dr. Arndt's unique expertise in Alaska history and especially in the Russian-Alaska time period has greatly benefited the Rasmuson Library's world-class collections and the researchers who use them; and

WHEREAS Dr. Arndt began work at UAF as a researcher in 1989 and joined the Rasmuson Library as a processing assistant in 2002; and in 2010 she became a faculty member, serving as the Alaska and polar regions bibliographer and the curator of rare books and rare maps; and

WHEREAS Dr. Arndt has 21 publications and five translations of works on the Russian era of Alaska history; and she oversaw the digitization of hundreds of rare books and maps, making them available to scholars of polar regions worldwide; and

WHEREAS Dr. Arndt has served as a member of the Faculty Senate and on multiple university committees; and she has given numerous professional presentations at Alaska history and anthropology conferences, providing exposure for the library's outstanding collections to the public and researchers;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Dr. Katherine L. Arndt for her 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. Arndt and as evidence of the university's desire that her identification with the university be maintained, hereby salutes the appointment of Dr. Katherine L. Arndt as associate professor of library science, 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. Katherine L. Arndt, and conveyed to Dr. Arndt on this sixth day of May, 2023.

Chancellor of the University of Alaska Fairbanks

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RESOLUTION

conferring upon

MS. SANDRA BOATWRIGHT

the title of

Proposals and Publications Office Manager, Emeritus

WHEREAS Ms. Sandra Boatwright has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in proposal preparation and technical editing from 1993 to 2023; and

WHEREAS Ms. Boatwright has helped hundreds of researchers submit hundreds of proposals while at the College of Engineering and Mines and Institute of Northern Engineering; and she has built a highly effective, client-focused, outcomes-driven and service-oriented proposal unit; and

WHEREAS Ms. Boatwright has worked tirelessly under constant deadlines so that every research proposal reflects UAF in the best light — not only by ensuring that budgets and other documents are accurate but also by strengthening the proposal text; and

WHEREAS senior faculty members have seen Ms. Boatwright as an active partner in the research team, describing her as a pillar of support who delivers patient attention in the pursuit of funding; and she has mentored many new faculty members in proposal preparation; and

WHEREAS Ms. Boatwright received the Chancellor's Cornerstone Award in 2018, recognizing her exceptional skills;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Ms. Sandra Boatwright for her 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 Ms. Boatwright and as evidence of the university's desire that her identification with the university be maintained, hereby salutes the appointment of Ms. Sandra Boatwright as proposals and publications office manager, 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 Ms. Sandra Boatwright, and conveyed to Ms. Boatwright on this sixth day of May, 2023.

Chancellor of the University of Alaska Fairbanks

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RESOLUTION
conferring upon
DR. RICHARD SCOTT CARR
the title of
Professor of English, Emeritus

WHEREAS Dr. Richard Scott Carr has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching, research and public service from 1995 to 2023; and

WHEREAS Dr. Carr has been recognized as an outstanding teacher on multiple occasions and has contributed to an unusually broad range of courses; and he has served as thesis director to more than 15 graduate students and on the thesis committees of more than 70; and

WHEREAS Dr. Carr's research specialty has been Australasian literature, about which he has published and presented dozens of papers; and he has served as reviews editor for Antipodes, a journal of Australian literature; and

WHEREAS Dr. Carr has served as director of the UAF Writing Center since 1997, a centerpiece role in his professional life; and Dr. Carr served as chair of the English Department for 10 years, providing leadership with his calm, reliable demeanor and exceptional skills in mediation; and he has volunteered extensively for university initiatives and committees, as well as for numerous events and activities in the Fairbanks and Alaska communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Dr. Richard Scott Carr 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. Carr and as evidence of the university's desire that his identification with the university be maintained, hereby salutes the appointment of Dr. Richard Scott Carr 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. Richard Scott Carr, and conveyed to Dr. Carr on this sixth day of May, 2023.

Chancellor of the University of Alaska Fairbanks

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RESOLUTION

conferring upon

MRS. CECELIA L. CHAMBERLAIN

the title of

Executive Officer for Finance, Emeritus

WHEREAS Mrs. Cecelia L. Chamberlain served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in administrative and financial positions from 1989 to 1990 and from 1991 to 2023; and

WHEREAS Mrs. Chamberlain most recently played an invaluable role in managing the financial operations of the College of Rural and Community Development, where her expertise and institutional knowledge guided and informed critical decisions; and she has provided stability and enhanced the management of multiple rural campuses and their infrastructure; and

WHEREAS Mrs. Chamberlain has recruited, trained and mentored countless staff, acting on her conviction that UAF should develop its own fiscal professionals; and she has provided career and professional development opportunities to student employees who later moved into long-term career positions; and she helps everyone who works with her understand the ebb and flow of life at the university; and

WHEREAS Mrs. Chamberlain has served on countless committees for planning and budget issues, business services, recruitment initiatives, and leadership and management teamwork, including the rural campus directors council;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Mrs. Cecelia L. Chamberlain for her 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 Mrs. Chamberlain and as evidence of the university's desire that her identification with the university be maintained, hereby salutes the appointment of Mrs. Cecelia L. Chamberlain as executive officer for finance, 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 Mrs. Cecelia L. Chamberlain, and conveyed to Mrs. Chamberlain on this sixth day of May, 2023.

Chancellor of the University of Alaska Fairbanks

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RESOLUTION

conferring upon

MR. WILLIAM J. COX

the title of

Director of Utilities, Emeritus

WHEREAS Mr. William J. Cox served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in facilities maintenance and operation from 1987 to 1991 and from 1993 to 2023; and

WHEREAS Mr. Cox worked at the heating, ventilation and air conditioning shop for 17 years, first as a technician and then supervisor, before serving as maintenance superintendent for nine years; and he spent his last two years as the director of utilities, overseeing UAF's heat, power and water utility operations; and he knows every square inch of every utilidor and critical infrastructure system on campus; and

WHEREAS Mr. Cox is a conscientious employee who cares for others deeply; and he diligently upholds safety standards, taking every alarm and test seriously and ensuring that each system's staff and managers provide quality support; and he has dedicated himself to teaching and coaching to create a cohesive team; and

WHEREAS Mr. Cox is a true Renaissance man, with a passion for the arts, music and sharing stories; and he holds the principal trombone position in the Fairbanks Symphony Orchestra;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Mr. William J. Cox 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 Mr. Cox and as evidence of the university's desire that his identification with the university be maintained, hereby salutes the appointment of Mr. William J. Cox as director of utilities, 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 Mr. William J. Cox, and conveyed to Mr. Cox on this sixth day of May, 2023.

Chancellor of the University of Alaska Fairbanks

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RESOLUTION

conferring upon

MS. KIMBERLEE S. DAVIS

the title of

Managing Editor, Emeritus

WHEREAS Ms. Kimberlee S. Davis has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in public relations and fundraising from 1992 to 2023, including the past 15 years as managing editor of UAF's Aurora magazine; and

WHEREAS Ms. Davis served the university in fast-paced and highly deadline-driven environments; and the outstanding quality of her work has demonstrated her commitment to the institution; and she has been a reliable organizing force behind numerous publications and events, including the annual commencement; and

WHEREAS Ms. Davis provided the vision and editorial acumen to resurrect and greatly enhance the Aurora magazine; and she provided guidance and oversight to writers, photographers, editors and designers, holding herself and those around her to high standards; and

WHEREAS Ms. Davis chaired the planning committee for UAF's centennial in 2017, overseeing events and projects involving hundreds of participants across several years; and her vision and guidance brought the remarkable history of the first century of this university to life; and

WHEREAS the Alaska chapter of the Public Relations Society of America recognized Ms. Davis on multiple occasions with top awards for the projects she led, including the Aurora magazine;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Ms. Kimberlee S. Davis for her 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 Ms. Davis and as evidence of the university's desire that her identification with the university be maintained, hereby salutes the appointment of Ms. Kimberlee S. Davis as managing editor, 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 Ms. Kimberlee S. Davis, and conveyed to Ms. Davis on this sixth day of May, 2023.

Chancellor of the University of Alaska Fairbanks

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RESOLUTION
conferring upon
DR. CARY W. DE WIT
the title of
Associate Professor of Geography, Emeritus

WHEREAS Dr. Cary W. de Wit served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching, research and public service from 1999 to 2022; and

WHEREAS Dr. de Wit taught a broad variety of courses, creating unique opportunities that otherwise would not have been at UAF; and he advised a majority of undergraduate geography majors; and

WHEREAS Dr. de Wit's research focused on American regional cultures, perceptual geography and sense of place; and his expertise in these topics and global geopolitics has drawn inquiries from numerous students and academics and led to many media interviews; and

WHEREAS Dr. de Wit served as Geography Department chair and program coordinator for a dozen years; and he served on numerous university committees; and

WHEREAS Dr. de Wit helped create a radio series on geopolitics that was broadcast locally and throughout Alaska and made available online; and he initiated several well-attended public presentations by visiting scholars, government officials, international experts and journalists;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Dr. Cary W. de Wit 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. de Wit and as evidence of the university's desire that his identification with the university be maintained, hereby salutes the appointment of Dr. Cary W. de Wit as associate professor of geography, 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. Cary W. de Wit, and conveyed to Dr. de Wit on this sixth day of May, 2023.

Chancellor of the University of Alaska Fairbanks

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RESOLUTION

conferring upon

DR. PETER A. DECARO

the title of
Associate Professor of Communication, Emeritus

WHEREAS Dr. Peter A. DeCaro has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching, research and public service from 2011 to 2023; and

WHEREAS Dr. DeCaro is known for his outstanding teaching; and he chaired or served as a member on numerous graduate student committees; and he worked as a faculty advisor to several student clubs and organizations; and

WHEREAS Dr. DeCaro directed development of fully online bachelor's and master's degree programs in communication; and he created the alternative dispute resolution minor, with a focus on restorative practices; and Dr. DeCaro was a co-founding member of the Veterans Memorial Project and served in an advising capacity to various military-affiliated groups on campus; and

WHEREAS Dr. DeCaro has delivered dozens of presentations and produced dozens of publications in the communication field, including papers, articles, books and book chapters; and

WHEREAS Dr. DeCaro served as the Department of Communication chair for many years after his arrival at UAF; and he serves as executive director of the American Communication Association; and he has participated in numerous other professional activities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Dr. Peter A. DeCaro 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. DeCaro and as evidence of the university's desire that his identification with the university be maintained, hereby salutes the appointment of Dr. Peter A. DeCaro as associate professor of communication, 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. Peter A. DeCaro, and conveyed to Dr. DeCaro on this sixth day of May, 2023.

Chancellor of the University of Alaska Fairbanks

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RESOLUTION

conferring upon

DR. ALEXANDRA F. FITTS

the title of

Professor of Spanish and Vice Provost, Emeritus

WHEREAS Dr. Alexandra F. Fitts has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching and public service from 1995 to 2023, first as a professor and then as an administrator; and

WHEREAS Dr. Fitts' students in the Spanish program greatly respected her both as a teacher and as a mentor; and

WHEREAS Dr. Fitts served as chair of the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures for six years, during which time she earned a reputation for her wise, steady guidance; and she redesigned the foreign languages major; and she twice served as coordinator of the women, gender and sexuality studies program; and

WHEREAS when Dr. Fitts' service as a professor concluded, she served as vice provost and dean of general studies, enhancing the academic experiences of students by providing guidance to deans and directors; and she oversaw academic advising and retention efforts; and Dr. Fitts served as accreditation liaison officer, leading UAF through several thorough and successful accreditation processes; and

WHEREAS Dr. Fitts served on and chaired numerous university committees; and she served in the Faculty Senate; and she trained to staff a campus help desk for students experiencing partner violence;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Dr. Alexandra F. Fitts for her 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. Fitts and as evidence of the university's desire that her identification with the university be maintained, hereby salutes the appointment of Dr. Alexandra F. Fitts as professor of Spanish and vice provost, 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. Alexandra F. Fitts, and conveyed to Dr. Fitts on this sixth day of May, 2022.

Chancellor of the University of Alaska Fairbanks

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RESOLUTION

conferring upon

MR. PHILLIP HARRINGTON

the title of

Executive Officer, Emeritus

WHEREAS Mr. Phillip Harrington has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks and the University of Alaska system with distinction in fiscal management from 1990 to 2023; and

WHEREAS Mr. Harrington, after working at the UA statewide budget office, moved to UAF in 1998, where he served in financial and executive officer positions for the College of Engineering and Mines, the Office of Finance and Accounting, the Institute of Arctic Biology and, most recently, the Signers' Business Office; and

WHEREAS Mr. Harrington is renowned throughout UAF as an outstanding leader, able to change processes, create efficiencies and build cohesive teams; and he trained and mentored some of UAF's brightest executive officers and finance managers; and, while at CEM, he encouraged all grant management staff to pursue certified research administrator training; and

WHEREAS Mr. Harrington demonstrated true caring for the careers and personal lives of the staff with whom he worked; and his unfailing sense of humor and kindness fostered great teamwork;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Mr. Phillip Harrington 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 Mr. Harrington and as evidence of the university's desire that his identification with the university be maintained, hereby salutes the appointment of Mr. Phillip Harrington as executive officer, 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 Mr. Phillip Harrington, and conveyed to Mr. Harrington on this sixth day of May, 2023.

Chancellor of the University of Alaska Fairbanks

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RESOLUTION

conferring upon

DR. ERIC HEYNE

the title of

Professor of English, Emeritus

WHEREAS Dr. Eric Heyne has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching, research and service from 1986 to 2023; and he is currently the longest-serving faculty member in the College of Liberal Arts; and

WHEREAS Dr. Heyne distinguished himself for his excellence in teaching, offering instruction not only in introductory courses but also in upper-division and graduate courses, seminars and studies of unique topics; and his dedication to, and regular instruction in, the English Department's general education program in writing is especially noteworthy; and

WHEREAS Dr. Heyne has engaged in award-winning and prolific research and creative works focused on Alaska and northern literature; and he has numerous publications, including books, reviews, articles and poems; and

WHEREAS Dr. Heyne served the English Department as chair and the College of Liberal Arts once as interim dean and twice as associate dean; and he served in the Faculty Senate, including terms as president-elect and president; and he has served the University of Alaska Press as a board member and editor; and he has volunteered in the Fairbanks community for such programs as Guys Read and the Fairbanks Shakespeare Theatre;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Dr. Eric Heyne 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. Heyne and as evidence of the university's desire that his identification with the university be maintained, hereby salutes the appointment of Dr. Eric Heyne 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. Eric Heyne, and conveyed to Dr. Heyne on this sixth day of May, 2023.

Chancellor of the University of Alaska Fairbanks

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RESOLUTION
conferring upon
DR. SANTANU KHATANAR
the title of
Professor of Petroleum Engineering, Emeritus

WHEREAS Dr. Santanu Khatanar has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching, research and service from 1991 to 2023; and

WHEREAS Dr. Khatanar has taught a broad range of courses in petroleum engineering; and his students recognized his teaching abilities with six outstanding faculty awards from 1992–2020; and Dr. Khatanar has chaired or co-chaired 35 graduate student committees and served on more than 60 others; and Dr. Khatanar taught a number of courses in Anchorage, which boosted enrollment and industry connections; and

WHEREAS Dr. Khatanar conducted internationally recognized research in gas-to-liquids technology and enhanced oil recovery; and he drew more than \$10 million in research funding to UAF; and he has published a book chapter, 29 peer-reviewed articles and over 50 refereed conference papers; and he has been an invited technical speaker in international conferences; and

WHEREAS Dr. Khatanar has served on numerous UAF committees, including those involved in curriculum review and redesign; and he served as the Department of Petroleum Engineering chair;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Dr. Santanu Khatanar 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. Khatanar and as evidence of the university's desire that his identification with the university be maintained, hereby salutes the appointment of Dr. Santanu Khatanar as professor of petroleum engineering, 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. Santanu Khatanar, and conveyed to Dr. Khatanar on this sixth day of May, 2023.

Chancellor of the University of Alaska Fairbanks

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RESOLUTION

conferring upon

MR. RICHARD MCDONALD

the title of

Professor of Computer Information Systems, Emeritus

WHEREAS Mr. Richard McDonald has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching and service from 2014 to 2023; and

WHEREAS Mr. McDonald has greatly benefited UAF Community and Technical College students through his expert teaching in the information technology field; and he secured technologies that the IT specialist program uses to teach online at a quality level previously achievable in only a face-to-face setting; and

WHEREAS Mr. McDonald's novel methods have brought online technical training to students in rural Alaska; and when COVID-19 globally disrupted teaching in 2020, Cisco Systems invited Mr. McDonald to present online teaching methods to its affiliated networking instructors worldwide; and

WHEREAS Mr. McDonald has published multiple technical textbooks, with some translated into more than a dozen languages; and he has made numerous conference presentations on both technical topics and online teaching methods; and

WHEREAS Mr. McDonald has served on several university committees; and he has served as a mentor to other faculty members in the IT program; and he has volunteered as a docent at the University of Alaska Museum of the North;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Mr. Richard McDonald 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 Mr. McDonald and as evidence of the university's desire that his identification with the university be maintained, hereby salutes the appointment of Mr. Richard McDonald as professor of computer information systems, 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 Mr. Richard McDonald, and conveyed to Mr. McDonald on this sixth day of May, 2023.

Chancellor of the University of Alaska Fairbanks

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RESOLUTION

conferring upon

MS. PATRICIA MARTINEZ MERITT

the title of

Professor of Early Childhood Education, Emeritus

WHEREAS Ms. Patricia Martinez Meritt has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching, research and public service from 1986 to 2023; and

WHEREAS Ms. Meritt, who served as an adjunct for a decade before becoming a full-time faculty member, is a superb teacher and expert in her field; and her students consistently give her exceptional evaluations; and she received the 2019 Emil Usibelli Distinguished Teaching Award; and she was an early leader in bringing courses online to serve students in all walks of life and in all locations, including other countries; and

WHEREAS Ms. Meritt co-authored two editions of the “Constructive Guidance and Discipline in Early Childhood Development” textbook; and she wrote “Child Development: A Practical Guide to the First Three Years;” and

WHEREAS Ms. Meritt motivated colleagues across the university to achieve national accreditation for the early childhood education program; and she developed the undergraduate degree in child development and family studies and many courses; and she routinely served on numerous university committees; and she has made dozens of presentations in myriad community venues;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation for Ms. Patricia Martinez Meritt’s 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 Ms. Meritt and as evidence of the university’s desire that her identification with the university be maintained, hereby salutes the recognition of Ms. Patricia Martinez Meritt as professor of early childhood education, 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 Ms. Patricia Martinez Meritt, and conveyed to Ms. Meritt on this sixth day of May, 2023.

Chancellor of the University of Alaska Fairbanks

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RESOLUTION
conferring upon
DR. VIKAS S. SONWALKAR
the title of
Professor of Electrical Engineering, Emeritus

WHEREAS Dr. Vikas S. Sonwalkar has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching, research and public service from 1995 to 2023; and

WHEREAS Dr. Sonwalkar taught a broad range of graduate and undergraduate courses in electrical engineering; and he was the principal advisor to two postdoctoral fellows, 20 graduate students and nine undergraduate students; and he was recognized as the College of Engineering and Mines outstanding graduate student advisor in 2004; and

WHEREAS Dr. Sonwalkar performed research into diverse topics and pioneered space-based whistler mode radio sounding of electrons and ions; and he produced more than 50 articles, more than 150 conference abstracts and 30 major reports; and, at UAF, he obtained research grants of more than \$15 million; and

WHEREAS Dr. Sonwalkar served on numerous university committees, in the UAF Faculty Senate and as department chair twice; and he helped establish the computer engineering program; and he served as Alaska faculty advisor to Radio JOVE, a NASA project involving high school and college students in radio astronomy;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Dr. Vikas S. Sonwalkar 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. Sonwalkar and as evidence of the university's desire that his identification with the university be maintained, hereby salutes the appointment of Dr. Vikas S. Sonwalkar as professor of electrical engineering, 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. Vikas S. Sonwalkar, and conveyed to Dr. Sonwalkar on this sixth day of May, 2023.

Chancellor of the University of Alaska Fairbanks

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RESOLUTION

conferring upon

MS. E. MICHELE STALDER

the title of

Dean of the Community and Technical College, Emeritus

WHEREAS Ms. E. Michele Stalder has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in executive, administrative and staff positions from 1981 to 2023; and she has applied her unstinting hard work, innovation and dedication to develop the UAF Community and Technical College and advocate for its mission; and

WHEREAS Ms. Stalder sought continuously to reduce barriers to postsecondary education; and she conceptualized CTC's one-stop service where students take academic placement tests, receive advising, register, apply for financial aid and pay fees all in one location; and she pioneered dual enrollment and credit for high school students; and

WHEREAS Ms. Stalder successfully led efforts to ensure that CTC continued to function through the COVID-19 pandemic, producing qualified essential workers for critical enterprises; and she has worked diligently with local businesses and industry to make them partners in CTC's programs; and she received the 2020 Bernice M. Joseph Education Advocate of the Year Award from the Greater Fairbanks Chamber of Commerce;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Ms. E. Michele Stalder for her 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 Ms. Stalder and as evidence of the university's desire that her identification with the university be maintained, hereby salutes the appointment of Ms. E. Michele Stalder as dean of the Community and Technical College, 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 Ms. E. Michele Stalder, and conveyed to Ms. Stalder on this sixth day of May, 2023.

Chancellor of the University of Alaska Fairbanks

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RESOLUTION
conferring upon
MS. KIMBERLY ARAGON STEWART
the title of
Instructor of Spanish, Emeritus

WHEREAS Ms. Kimberly Aragon Stewart has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching and service from 1994 to 2023; and

WHEREAS Ms. Stewart is known for her outstanding teaching and mentorship; and her creative and challenging methods drew a dedicated following among students; and she is unfailingly kind, warm and encouraging to students; and she taught roughly 7,500 students in 240 courses across almost three decades; and

WHEREAS Ms. Stewart took on numerous tasks, always wanting to do what was best for her colleagues and the foreign languages program; and she enthusiastically shared her expertise for language teaching and learning within the realm of second language acquisition; and

WHEREAS Ms. Stewart led multiple overseas study trips with students, encouraging cultural examination and reflection while patiently dealing with obstacles; and she took on numerous additional duties, such as advising the Spanish club, mentoring high school Spanish teachers and judging high school poetry readings;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Ms. Kimberly Aragon Stewart for her 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 Ms. Stewart and as evidence of the university's desire that her identification with the university be maintained, hereby salutes the appointment of Ms. Kimberly Aragon Stewart as instructor of Spanish, 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 Ms. Kimberly Aragon Stewart, and conveyed to Ms. Stewart on this sixth day of May, 2023.

Chancellor of the University of Alaska Fairbanks

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RESOLUTION

conferring upon

MR. MARK D. YOUNG

the title of

Associate Professor of Applied Business and Accounting, Emeritus

WHEREAS Mr. Mark D. Young has served the University of Alaska Fairbanks with distinction in teaching and service from 2006 to 2023; and

WHEREAS Mr. Young's students consistently rated his teaching as good to excellent; and he employed innovations such as gamification, course flipping and teaming with local businesses on marketing; and he led micro-credentialing efforts that verify students' skill sets for employers; and, drawing on his experience as a UAF Community and Technical College military programs coordinator from 2007-2012, Mr. Young continued as a faculty member to connect military personnel and their dependents with educational options; and

WHEREAS Mr. Young wrote an Alaska-specific textbook for his introductory business course; and he helped create the Interior Alaska Business Accelerator, which mentors new small businesses; and Mr. Young, who also holds a bachelor's degree in fisheries, trained seafood processor employees in Kodiak and Dutch Harbor in management; and

WHEREAS Mr. Young has demonstrated exceptional leadership on many CTC committees; and he served as a dynamic chair and coordinator for the department, where he promoted the program, created new curriculum, mentored faculty, led the advisory council, and collaborated with the College of Business and Security Management;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Mr. Mark D. Young 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 Mr. Young and as evidence of the university's desire that his identification with the university be maintained, hereby salutes the appointment of Mr. Mark D. Young as associate professor of applied business and accounting, 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 Mr. Mark D. Young, and conveyed to Mr. Young on this sixth day of May, 2023.

Chancellor of the University of Alaska Fairbanks

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