

**RESOLUTION NAMING THE FOOTBALL INDOOR PRACTICE FACILITY FOR  
FORMER FOOTBALL COACH FRANKLIN M. “FRANK” BEAMER ’69 AND FAMILY  
AND THE JOHN R. LAWSON II ’75 FAMILY**

**WHEREAS**, Frank Beamer is a highly revered and distinguished alumnus of Virginia Tech, having received his bachelor of science degree from the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences in 1969; and

**WHEREAS**, John R. Lawson, II is an esteemed alumnus of Virginia Tech, having graduated in 1975 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Geophysics; and

**WHEREAS**, Frank Beamer and his wife, Cheryl Beamer, and the Beamer family enjoy a deep and abiding friendship with John Lawson and his wife, Paige Lawson, and the Lawson family; and

**WHEREAS**, John and Paige Lawson and their family proudly and vigorously have cheered on and supported Frank and Cheryl Beamer and the Beamer family through varying stages of success and numerous accomplishments of the Virginia Tech Football Program as it rose to national prominence under Coach Beamer’s impressive and unparalleled leadership; and

**WHEREAS**, the Virginia Tech Football program and other athletic and community constituents have become the grateful beneficiaries of a state-of-the-art, premier, award-winning, multi-purpose indoor training facility that was opened in 2015, having been designed and constructed under the direction of W. M. Jordan and Company; and

**WHEREAS**, in this year during which Frank Beamer will be celebrated as a first-ballot selection to the College Football Hall of Fame’s Class of 2018 and has been named as the 2018 recipient of the Paul “Bear” Bryant Lifetime Achievement Award, the John and Paige Lawson family has made a leadership gift to acknowledge and pay tribute to the Frank and Cheryl Beamer family for their contributions to Virginia Tech and college football, and their enduring commitment to education and the community; and

**WHEREAS**, in addition to their cherished friendship, the Beamers and the Lawsons share a steadfast love for Virginia Tech, embrace the value of service to others, epitomize the virtues of humility, loyalty, and generosity, and forever will be proud members of the Hokie Nation;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that in recognition of the innumerable contributions of the Frank and Cheryl Beamer family to the university, the community, and collegiate athletics, and the leadership support of the John and Paige Lawson family to athletics and the broader university as donors, volunteers and fans, the Football Indoor Practice Facility will be known henceforth as the Beamer-Lawson Indoor Practice Facility.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the above resolution naming the Beamer-Lawson Indoor Practice Facility be approved.

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