

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION HONORING JAMES L. CHAPMAN, IV

WHEREAS, Mr. James L. Chapman, IV was appointed by Governor Bob McDonnell to the Board of Visitors of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University in July 2013; and,

WHEREAS, a former member of the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets, Mr. Chapman graduated from Virginia Tech in 1979 with a B.A. degree in history and continued his education at the Washington and Lee School of Law where he earned a Juris Doctorate in 1982; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Chapman went on to serve his country as a Captain in the United States Army Judge Advocate General Corps, and received the United States Army Meritorious Service Medal; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Chapman has dedicated significant time and effort in support of the Board of Visitors, serving as Rector, Vice Rector, and chair of the Finance and Audit Committee and the Executive Committee; and,

WHEREAS, a highly regarded attorney and senior partner in the Norfolk, Virginia, law firm of Crenshaw, Ware & Martin, Mr. Chapman's legal experience, with particular expertise in business law, admiralty and maritime law, and railroad and transit law, has served the university well; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Chapman's extensive community engagement includes service as a director and officer of diverse non-profit and professional organizations at the local, regional and national level, including Rotary, the Navy League of the United States, the Southeastern Admiralty Law Institute, the Future of Hampton Roads, and the Sorensen Institute for Political Leadership; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Chapman comes from a family of Hokies, including his four siblings, his wife, and two daughters; and,

WHEREAS, the members of the Board have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know Jim and his wife, Sue (Class of 1982), and have enjoyed their company at Board meetings, football games, and other university events;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the Board of Visitors of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University hereby extend their sincere appreciation to Mr. James L. Chapman, IV for his outstanding loyalty and devoted service, and for his faithful dedication to the university and its missions.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the resolution recognizing James L. Chapman, IV for his service as a member and Rector of the Board of Visitors be approved.

September 11, 2017