RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION HONORING DR. J. THOMAS RYAN

WHEREAS, Dr. J. Thomas Ryan was appointed by Governor Bob McDonnell to the Board of Visitors of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University in July 2013; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Ryan graduated from Virginia Tech in 1968 with a B.S. degree in biology and went on to earn an M.D. degree from the Medical College of Virginia at Virginia Commonwealth University, and an M.S. degree in health administration from VCU; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ryan is the former executive vice president and chief medical officer of Mary Washington Healthcare in Fredericksburg, Virginia, and a family medicine practitioner; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Ryan's many leadership positions in the health care industry and his expertise in planning the development of new medical facilities has been extremely valuable to the Board of Visitors, particularly in his role representing the Board on the Virginia Tech Carilion Integration Steering Committee that is planning the integration of the Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine into Virginia Tech; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Ryan has served on many community and industry boards, including those for the Fredericksburg Regional Chamber of Commerce, VHA Central Atlantic, and the Virginia Hospital and Healthcare Association; and,

WHEREAS, in addition to serving as a member and chair of the Academic Affairs Committee and a member of the Executive Committee of the Board of Visitors, Dr. Ryan has provided valuable service to Virginia Tech as a member of the College of Science Roundtable and the Alumni Association Board of Directors; and,

WHEREAS, the members of the Board have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know Tom and his wife, Susan Bull Ryan, 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 extend their sincere appreciation to Dr. J. Thomas Ryan for his outstanding loyalty and devoted service, and for his faithful dedication to the university and its missions.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the resolution recognizing Dr. J. Thomas Ryan for his service as a member of the Board of Visitors be approved.

September 11, 2017