## RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION HONORING DENNIS H. TREACY

WHEREAS, Mr. Dennis H. Treacy, an alumnus of the Class of 1978 with a bachelor's degree in Forestry and Wildlife, was appointed by Governor McDonnell to the Board of Visitors of Virginia Tech in 2012 and was reappointed by Governor McAuliffe in 2016; and

**WHEREAS,** Mr. Treacy is a prominent leader in Virginia's public and private sectors, having held positions in the Virginia Attorney General's Office, the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality, Smithfield Foods, and most recently as Senior Council in Government Relations and Administration Law at the Reed Smith, LLP, law firm; and

WHEREAS, passionate about the arts and humanities and the environment as well as higher education, he has served the state of Virginia in the spirit of *Ut Prosim* in various capacities, including as chairman of the Virginia Chamber of Commerce, vice chairman of the Virginia Business Higher Education Council, and as a member of the Chesapeake Bay Commission, VIRGINIAforever, Virginia Humanities, and the Virginia Museum of Natural History, and is also a strong advocate for the Rural Virginia Initiative; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure on the Board of Visitors, Mr. Treacy served as a member and chair of the Board's Executive Committee, the Academic Affairs, and the Finance and Audit Committees; and as a member of the Research Committee, the Compliance Audit and Risk Committee, the Buildings and Grounds Committee, and the Governance and Administration Committee; and he represented the Board on the university's Beyond Boundaries Steering Committee in 2015-16; and

WHEREAS, he was elected Rector of the Board from 2017 to 2019 when the Board implemented the new committee structure he helped define as a member of the BOV Taskforce on Board Structure and Governance in 2016-17 when he was Vice Rector; and

**WHEREAS**, the members of the Board have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know Dennis, and his wife, Donna, and have enjoyed their company at Board meetings, football games, and other university events over the course of the past eight years;

**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. Dennis H. Treacy for his outstanding loyalty and devoted service, and for his faithful dedication to the university and its missions.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the resolution recognizing Dennis H. Treacy for his service as a member and Rector of the Board of Visitors be approved.

August 25, 2020