RESOLUTION RENAMING PEARSON HALL LOCATED AT 260 ALUMNI MALL AS PEARSON HALL EAST

WHEREAS, James Ashley “J.” Pearson II graduated from Virginia Tech in 1987 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Agricultural and Applied Economics and was a member of the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets; and

WHEREAS, Renae Collier Pearson graduated from Virginia Tech in 1990 with a degree in Family and Child Development and was a member of the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets; and

WHEREAS, J. and Renae Pearson provided a leadership gift to name the existing Pearson Hall located at 260 Alumni Mall, which was approved by the Board of Visitors on September 15, 2014, and opened in 2015; and

WHEREAS, J. and Renae Pearson have made an additional generous leadership commitment to the Corps of Cadets to name the existing New Cadet Hall located at 310 Alumni Mall, which will be named Pearson Hall West; and

WHEREAS, the existing Pearson Hall located at 260 Alumni Mall mirrors the existing New Cadet Hall located at 310 Alumni Mall, therefore making Pearson Hall East and Pearson Hall West the standard nomenclature, respectively, to identify the companion buildings;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, in acknowledgement of the service and continued generosity of J. and Renae Pearson, and to appropriately identify the Corps dormitory located at 260 Alumni Mall, the existing Pearson Hall henceforth will be known as Pearson Hall East; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution supersedes the resolution to name Pearson Hall that was passed by the Board of Visitors on September 15, 2014.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution superseding the Board of Visitors resolution of September 15, 2014, and renaming Pearson Hall located at 260 Alumni Mall to Pearson Hall East be approved.

May 6, 2020
RESOLUTION ON NAMING THE CORPS OF CADETS DORMITORY (REPLACING THE FORMER RASCHE HALL) ON THE CAMPUS OF VIRGINIA TECH FOR JAMES A. “J.” PEARSON ’87 AND RENAE C. PEARSON ’90

WHEREAS, James Ashley “J.” Pearson II graduated from Virginia Tech in 1987 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Agricultural and Applied Economics and was a member of the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets; and

WHEREAS, Renae Collier Pearson graduated from Virginia Tech in 1990 with a degree in Family and Child Development was a member of the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets; and

WHEREAS, J. and Renae Pearson have had successful and respected careers in business; and

WHEREAS, J. Pearson, with the participation and full support of Renae Pearson, has had an extensive volunteer career with the university to include service as a member of the Virginia Tech Foundation Board of Directors and its Audit Committee, the Corps of Cadets Alumni Board, the Corps of Cadets Campaign Steering Committee known as the Gold Cord Committee, and the Atlanta Regional Campaign Committee in the Campaign for Virginia Tech: Invent the Future; and

WHEREAS, J. Pearson is chairing the steering committee guiding the effort to raise necessary private funding for the future Corps Leadership and Military Science Building; and

WHEREAS, J. and Renae Pearson have been recognized as members of the Ut Prosim Society for their outstanding philanthropy to the university to include considerable support to the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets; and

WHEREAS, J. and Renae Pearson have also made generous contributions to the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences and Virginia Tech Athletics; and

WHEREAS, J. and Renae Pearson have been, and continue to be, valued members of the university community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in acknowledgement of the service and generosity of J. and Renae Pearson, and in recognition of past and future benefits to the university, the dormitory building that will house members of the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets, and replace the former Rasche Hall, will be known as Pearson Hall.

RECOMMENDATION:
That the above resolution naming Pearson Hall be approved.

September 15, 2014
RESOLUTION NAMING NEW CADET HALL AT 310 ALUMNI MALL
AS PEARSON HALL WEST
IN HONOR OF JAMES A. PEARSON ('87) AND RENAE C. PEARSON ('90)

WHEREAS, James Ashley “J.” Pearson II graduated from Virginia Tech in 1987 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Agricultural and Applied Economics and was a member of the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets; and

WHEREAS, Renae Collier Pearson graduated from Virginia Tech in 1990 with a degree in Family and Child Development and was a member of the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets; and

WHEREAS, J. and Renae Pearson have had successful and respected careers in business; and

WHEREAS, J. and Renae Pearson have had extensive volunteer careers with the university to include both serving as members of the Virginia Tech Foundation Board of Directors in their own right, along with individual volunteer leadership to the Corps of Cadets Alumni Board, the Corps of Cadets Campaign Steering Committee known as the Gold Cord Committee, and the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences Advisory Board, among other volunteer roles; and

WHEREAS, the Pearsons’ passion for the Corps of Cadets and intimate understanding of the need for private support has motivated their leadership gift to the Corps of Cadets for the Commandant’s Priorities, in addition to creating opportunities throughout the university in support of the Student-Athlete Performance Center in the Jamerson Athletic Center, a gift commitment towards the James A. and Renae C. Pearson Collegiate Faculty Fellowship in the Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics in conjunction with the Kohl Agribusiness Centre, and initiating a Dean’s Priorities Fund in the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences; and

WHEREAS, the Pearson family legacy that began at Virginia Tech over 60 years ago with J.’s uncle, Harvey Pearson, in the class of 1950, has continued with J. and Renae’s children, along with siblings, cousins, nieces and nephews, and will remain in perpetuity; and

WHEREAS, J. and Renae Pearson’s prior philanthropy and previous commitment to the Corps of Cadets was commemorated with the naming of Pearson Hall located at 260 Alumni Mall in 2014, which has since been renamed as Pearson Hall East;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, in acknowledgement of the service and continued generosity of J. and Renae Pearson, and in recognition of past and future benefits to the university, the dormitory building known as New Cadet Hall located at 310 Alumni Mall will be known henceforth as Pearson Hall West.
RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution naming New Cadet Hall at 310 Alumni Mall as Pearson Hall West be approved.

May 6, 2020