

**SUMMARY**  
**Emeritus/Emerita Faculty Resolutions (1)**

**June 2, 2020**

**College of Science (1)**

Michael Renardy

Virginia Tech Class of 1950 Professor Emeritus  
of Mathematics

## **RESOLUTION FOR EMERITUS STATUS**

**WHEREAS**, for over 33 years, Michael Renardy, Ph.D. faithfully served Virginia Tech as a faculty member in the Department of Mathematics in the College of Science; and

**WHEREAS**, with dedication, he taught and lectured in undergraduate and graduate courses; and

**WHEREAS**, he directed eight doctoral theses at Virginia Tech, supported postdoctoral associates and international visitors, served on many master's and doctoral committees, and helped many students develop successful careers; and

**WHEREAS**, he made significant contributions to mathematics and brought international visibility to Virginia Tech through his work in nonlinear partial differential equations, non-Newtonian fluids, free surface flows, and stability and bifurcation; and

**WHEREAS**, he authored or co-authored four books, more than 200 refereed journal articles, numerous book chapters and reviews; and

**WHEREAS**, he was principal or co-principal investigator on numerous grants on fluid dynamics, continuum mechanics, complex fluids, viscoelastic flows, polymer rheology, and many other topics; and

**WHEREAS**, he received many professional honors and awards, including the Presidential Young Investigator Award, the VT Alumni Award for Research Excellence, American Mathematical Society Fellow, and the VT Class of 1950 Professorship; and

**WHEREAS**, he served the mathematics community through many editorial positions and other leadership positions; and

**WHEREAS**, he provided many years of distinguished contributions to the department, college, and university through dedicated service on numerous committees;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Visitors recognize Michael Renardy, Ph.D. for his distinguished service to the university with the title of Virginia Tech Class of 1950 Professor Emeritus of Mathematics.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the above resolution recommending Dr. Michael Renardy for emeritus status be approved.

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