

**RESOLUTION TO NAME THE VIRGINIA TECH PROGRAM IN REAL ESTATE FOR
WILLIS P. BLACKWOOD '72 AND MARY N. BLACKWOOD '73**

WHEREAS, Willis P. Blackwood graduated from Virginia Tech in 1972 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration, and Mary N. Blackwood graduated from Virginia Tech in 1973 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology; and

WHEREAS, Willis and Mary Blackwood have had a successful and respected career in Real Estate Development, founding the Blackwood Development Company and serving as leaders in the development industry; and

WHEREAS, Willis and Mary Blackwood have dedicated much of their time in service to Virginia Tech, by their engagement on advisory boards including those in the College of Science and the Pamplin College of Business, the Virginia Tech Foundation Board of Directors, *The Campaign for Virginia Tech: Invent the Future* Campaign Steering Committee, and the Virginia Tech Program in Real Estate Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, Willis and Mary Blackwood have been recognized as members of the President's Circle of the Ut Prosim Society for their outstanding philanthropy to the university to include considerable support to the College of Science, Pamplin College of Business, and Athletics, creating numerous endowments to support programs, faculty, and student scholarships; and

WHEREAS, Willis and Mary Blackwood continue to be valued members of the university community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in acknowledgement of the service and generosity of Willis and Mary Blackwood, their vision for the development of future generations of industry leaders in real estate, and in recognition of past and future benefits to the university, the Real Estate Program will be known as the Blackwood Program in Real Estate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that at any time in the future should the Real Estate Program transition to official recognition as a university department, the named Blackwood Program in Real Estate would carry forward and be henceforth known as the Blackwood Department of Real Estate.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution naming the Blackwood Program in Real Estate and stipulating that if at some point in the future the program should become a department, the name would be the Blackwood Department of Real Estate be approved.

August 31, 2021

**RESOLUTION TO NAME THE AUDIO/VISUAL ROOM
IN THE JAMES C. WEAVER BASEBALL CENTER
FOR BENJAMIN B. HILL '94 AND KRISTY HILL**

WHEREAS, Ben and Kristy Hill have been loyal supporters of the Virginia Tech Athletic Fund; and

WHEREAS, Ben and Kristy Hill have supported the Athletics Department with major gifts to the Hokie Scholarship Fund, Football Locker Room, Lane Stadium – West Side Expansion, Hahn-Hurst Basketball Practice Facility and Baseball Operating; and

WHEREAS, they are Hokie Benefactors with the Virginia Tech Athletic Fund and are members of the university's Ut Prosim Society at the Benefactor Level; and

WHEREAS, Ben and Kristy have not only supported Virginia Tech Athletics but also the university with gifts to the Veterinary Clinical Research Excellence Fund and the College of Agriculture & Life Sciences;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in appreciation to Ben and Kristy Hill for their generosity towards Virginia Tech and the Department of Athletics that the audio/visual room in the James C. Weaver Baseball Center be named the Ben and Kristy Hill A/V Room.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution naming the Ben and Kristy Hill A/V Room be approved.

August 31, 2021

**RESOLUTION ON NAMING THE SPIRIT PLAZA IN FRONT OF DIETRICK HALL
FOR CHRISTOPHER '98 AND JENNIFER QUILLEN, HUNTER QUILLEN GRESHAM,
AND MATTHEW '06 AND KELSEY QUILLEN**

WHEREAS, Christopher M. Quillen is a 1998 alumnus of the Pamplin College of Business in Marketing Management, and Jennifer Quillen is a Hokie spouse and enthusiastic member of the Hokie Nation; and

WHEREAS, Hunter Quillen Gresham is a Hokie-at-heart, enveloped in a Hokie family and having served Virginia Tech as a dedicated employee in Advancement and Student Affairs for a portion of her career; and

WHEREAS, Matthew T. Quillen is a 2006 alumnus of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences in Horticulture with a concentration in Landscape Contracting, and Kelsey Quillen is a Hokie Spouse and enthusiastic member of the Hokie Nation; and

WHEREAS, Christopher Quillen, Hunter Quillen Gresham, and Matthew Quillen are all siblings with long-standing family ties to Virginia Tech, being exposed to and establishing their love for the university in their youth; and

WHEREAS, the Quillen siblings seek to enhance the campus experience for students and their families, prospective students, faculty, and staff in support of a reimagined space in front of Dietrick Hall with a spirited Hokie theme that promotes community and pride; and

WHEREAS, Christopher and Jennifer Quillen, Hunter Quillen Gresham, and Matthew and Kelsey Quillen have provided generously for this exceptional spirit plaza and have been recognized as members of the Ut Prosim Society; and

WHEREAS, Christopher and Jennifer Quillen, Hunter Quillen Gresham, and Matthew and Kelsey Quillen have been and continue to be valued members of the university community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in appreciation to Christopher and Jennifer Quillen, Hunter Quillen Gresham, and Matthew and Kelsey Quillen for their generosity toward the university and the Division of Student Affairs, the spirit plaza in front of Dietrick Hall be known as the Quillen Spirit Plaza.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution naming the Quillen Spirit Plaza be approved.

August 31, 2021