Resolution 2000-10. In Appreciation of the Service of Richard Judson Richardson as Provost of the University of North Carolina At Chapel Hill.

Whereas in July 1995 Dick Richardson left his dearly loved classroom and moved to South Building, assuming the responsibilities of Provost when asked to do so, and has remained in this position ever since, providing sagacity and stability during a time of change in the University; and

Whereas his wit, geniality, and charm enlivened and made enjoyable the interactions between himself and all members of the University community; and

Whereas his sense of this institution in particular and higher education in general provided an encompassing and elevated vision of what the role of an upper-level administrator should and could be; and

Whereas with consummate skill and diplomacy he brought together divergent parts of the University, especially the integration of Academic and Health Affairs, for the first time under the Office of the Provost; and

Whereas throughout his thirty-one year career at Carolina, he served the University widely in positions ranging from Chair of the Bicentennial Observance to Acting Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs for The University of North Carolina; and

Whereas throughout the course of his administrative duties, this master teacher never lost his sense of himself as a member of the faculty and was always accessible and supportive of his faculty colleagues; and

Whereas his own personal decency and his commitment to values made him an administrator who could be trusted to do what was right and not just what was expedient; now therefore

The General Faculty resolves:

The faculty of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill commends Richard J. Richardson for his outstanding service to this institution that he loves so well and expresses its deep appreciation for his services to the student, staff and faculty of the University.

I certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Faculty Council on April 28, 2000.

Joseph S. Ferrell
Secretary of the Faculty