
Richard Nigel Lyon Andrews

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When Pete Andrews began his three-year term as the sixteenth Chair of the Faculty of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, he declared that his agenda would be "first and foremost to maintain the highest values of this faculty, which have made this university the special place that it is: our commitments to excellence in teaching and research, to diversity in our faculty and student body, to public service, and to integrity and community in our relationships with one another." This he has done in full measure. He also made it one of his principal goals to lead the faculty in affirming our role and responsibility for shaping the University’s educational policies, directions and priorities. This he has done to an extent without past parallel and with lasting result. He led the faculty in oversight of the implementation of the recommendations of the Task Force on Intellectual Climate, in urging the creation of the University Priorities and Budget Advisory Committee, in addressing the crucial issues of enrollment growth and tuition policy, in calling for creation of a Faculty Instructional Technology Advisory Committee to address the emerging role of information technology in higher education, in the work of the Labor Licensing Code Task Force, in assessing the physical development of the campus, and in other areas too numerous to mention.

Few have led us more skillfully. As a distinguished student of environmental policy, Pete taught us to approach issues of policy not by whim or intuition but by careful analysis and identification of the guiding principles that unify rather than divide. To the surprise of some, Pete often showed us that the goals of the administration and the goals of the faculty are usually one and the same. To paraphrase the immortal words of Pogo, Pete helped us to meet the enemy and find that "he is us." He also found, with Lincoln, that one cannot please all of the people all of the time, and that some us seem to be pleased none of the time, but Pete Andrews has few peers in his devotion to duty, his love of the University and his desire to further its interests, and his unshaken confidence in his faculty colleagues.

It is therefore with the deepest respect, gratitude, and appreciation that the Faculty of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, on this 28th day of April, 2000, present to Richard Nigel Lyon Andrews this Resolution of Appreciation.

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

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Secretary of the Faculty