RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR CRAIG K. SVENSSON

WHEREAS, Dr. Craig K. Svensson has served Purdue University with excellence, dedication, and generosity as the dean of the College of Pharmacy since 2006 and interim dean of the College of Science since 2016; and

WHEREAS, his close association with Purdue dates back to 2006, when he joined the Purdue faculty as a professor of Medicinal Chemistry and Molecular Pharmacology and as the dean of what was known at the time as the College of Pharmacy, Nursing and Health Sciences; and

WHEREAS, he led various divisions of Purdue through a critical transition period in 2010, when the College of Pharmacy, Nursing, and Health Sciences was realigned into three separate and distinct units, creating the School of Nursing and the School of Health Sciences in the College of Health and Human Sciences and the independent College of Pharmacy, thereby creating greater visibility for and synergies among Purdue’s undergraduate programs in the health sciences; and

WHEREAS, his leadership and vision for the College of Pharmacy at Purdue University have led the College through a period of tremendous growth and success, with programs consistently rated among the top ten in the nation; and

WHEREAS, he has strengthened the College of Pharmacy at all levels, including his oversight of major revisions within the undergraduate and professional program curricula, the near doubling of external grants and contracts over the last decade, and the creation of the internationally recognized Center for Medication Safety Advancement in 2010; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Svensson has made additional contributions to Purdue, lending his services to the Sesquicentennial Organizing Committee, the Internal Advisory Board of the Regenstreif Center for Healthcare Engineering, the Purdue University Global Council and the Extended Campus Advisory Committee, among several others over the past 11 years; and

WHEREAS, he has been an active member of several organizations contributing to advancements in the health science industries, serving on the board of governors for the Riley Children's Foundation, the board of directors for the National Institute for Pharmaceutical Technology and Education, the advisory board of the Indiana Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute, and numerous others; and

WHEREAS, he is an accomplished scholar on subjects, most recently including the pharmacogenomics of acetaminophen, advancing initiatives within pharmacy academia, the biotransformation of drugs on the skin, substance effect on stress signal expression, and advances in central nervous system delivery; and
WHEREAS, his expertise on these subjects and many more have earned him multiple book and scholarly journal publication credits, as well as contributed to the national recognition of Purdue pharmacy programs; and

WHEREAS, his tremendous work earned him recognition as the 175th Anniversary Distinguished Alumni from the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy in 2016, the Seed of Success Award for generating grants of over $1 million at Purdue in 2007, a Fellow of the American Association of Pharmaceutical Scientists, and many more; and

WHEREAS, he has additionally impacted the lives and careers of countless graduate students and postdoctoral fellows that are now leading research all over the world; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Svensson will step aside as dean of the College of Pharmacy and as interim dean of the College of Science, effective July 1, 2017, but will continue his passion for teaching by remaining a full-time faculty member in the Department of Chemistry; and

WHEREAS, his impact on higher education at Purdue University has been profound, and his legacy will continue long after his service as dean; and

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED BY THE TRUSTEES OF PURDUE UNIVERSITY:

1. That the Trustees recognize the positive impact of Dr. Craig Svensson’s tenure as Dean of the College of Pharmacy on its students, faculty, staff, alumni, and community; and

2. That enormous gratitude and appreciation are expressed to Dr. Craig K. Svensson for his loyalty and service to Purdue University and the College of Pharmacy; and

3. That Dr. Svensson is to be congratulated and thanked for his tremendous contributions to our University; and

4. That Dr. Svensson’s many achievements are part of the great, permanent history of Purdue and will never be forgotten; and

5. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the Trustees as part of the permanent record of the University.

JUNE 16, 2017

[Signatures]
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