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PRESIDENT BOWLES' REPORT BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING

November 13, 2009

President Bowles remarked that yesterday's signing ceremony of the Memorandum of Agreement between the University of North Carolina and the U.S. Army Special Operations Command was one of the highlights of his tenure at the University. He said that this joint partnership provides enormous opportunity for the University. It provides soldiers easier access to education and training at our campuses, it implements UNC Tomorrow initiatives by expanding access, and it focuses on an industry that creates over 400,000 jobs in North Carolina. Overall, it is our chance as civilians to positively impact our national security. He thanked the Board of Governors for its support.

Next, the President reported that he met with state legislators and shared with them the University Action Plan. The legislators asked the President to make a better effort of keeping them informed of the positive things happening on our campuses. The President said he would make sure that every legislator understood, on a county-by-county basis, the positive impact that the University has in the counties they represent. He said that he would provide the legislators an analysis of the return on investment (ROI) for the major funding requests that the University has made. The President would also report to the legislators the actions taken by the Board as well as assure them that great leadership on our campuses was being maintained. He said that it is our job collectively to protect the reputation of the University – the *crown jewel* of this State.

The President announced many recent campus achievements. Last week, Chairman Gage and he attended the groundbreaking ceremony of the Joint School of Nanoscience and Nanoengineering at the Gateway University Research Park in Greensboro. This joint project between UNC Greensboro and North Carolina A&T State University will contribute to the nanoscience and nanoengineering research industries and economic development within the Triad region and beyond. The event was well attended by leaders from across the state, the community, and the campuses.

Next, North Carolina Central University's Marching Sound Machine and Western Carolina University's Pride of the Mountains marching bands were selected to perform in the 2011 Tournament of Roses Parade in Pasadena, California. Additionally, Western Carolina

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University's Pride of the Mountains Marching Band was awarded the 2009 Sudler Trophy, which is the nation's highest award for intercollegiate marching bands.

President Bowles reported that he attended the groundbreaking ceremony of the new James B. Hunt Jr. Library located on Centennial Campus at North Carolina State University in conjunction with the Centennial Campus' 25th anniversary celebration. President Bowles announced that Doc Hendley, a 2003 graduate of North Carolina State University, was nominated for CNN's Hero of the Year Award. Mr. Hendley was nominated for his creation of a non-profit organization named "Wine to Water" that provides clean water to people in developing countries.

At the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, the Global Consortium of Entrepreneurship was honored with the 2009 Award for Exceptional Activities in Entrepreneurship Across Disciplines by the Global Consortium of Entrepreneurship Center.

The National Center of Homeless Education (NCHE) based at UNC Greensboro was awarded a \$4 million contract with the U.S. Department of Education to help school districts, families, and children meet the educational challenges posed by homelessness.

President Bowles reported that Chancellor DePaolo of the University of North Carolina at Wilmington met with the Wife of the Vice President of the United States, Dr. Jill Biden. They visited the Onslow Extension Program at Camp Lejeune where UNCW, Coastal Carolina Community College, and the U.S. Marine Corps have a 3-way partnership to assist the active duty and retired military personnel and their families.

Lastly, President Bowles announced that two alumni from the University of North Carolina School of the Arts won the coveted 2009 Princess Grace Awards. Gillian Murphy, a 1996 graduate from the UNCSA School of Dance and now principle dancer with the American Ballet Theatre, won the 2009 Princess Grace Award. Next, Sarah Murphy (no relation), a 2006 graduate from the UNCSA School of Dance and now a third year student at Julliard, also won the 2009 Princess Grace Award.

President Bowles said that it has been a great month for the University and that we have to continue getting a positive message out about the University as was evident by the many aforementioned campus achievements.