

APPENDIX A

REMARKS BY MR. NELSON SCHWAB CHAIR OF THE SEARCH COMMITTEE – UNC CHAPEL HILL SELECTION OF CHANCELLOR-ELECT DR. H. HOLDEN THORP

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Mr. Schwab provided a brief synopsis of the process of selecting the new chancellor at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Subsequent to Chancellor Moeser's announcement of his retirement in September 2007, a search committee was formed. It consisted of 21 members including alumni, trustee members, faculty, staff, and student representatives.

In October, 2007, the committee convened and enumerated the characteristics and qualities required in the next chancellor for the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The search committee engaged the services of R. W. Funk & Associates as consultant to the committee in its efforts to conduct a nationwide search. Open forums were conducted, email notices were sent to faculty, staff, students, student organizations, and local government entities inviting them to meet with the committee. The position was advertised in several national publications. A web site was established where nominations for candidates were solicited. Women and minority applicants comprised 31% of the pool and applications were received from 32 states and the District of Columbia.

The evaluation of applications began in December 2007. In March, the full committee met with several candidates. The committee ultimately selected four candidates to recommend to the Board of Trustees. One candidate had the unanimous support of the committee.

Mr. Schwab thanked the search committee members who were present at the meeting. This concluded the report.