



RESOLUTION HONORING

J. CRAIG SOUZA

MEMBER, THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA

WHEREAS, J. CRAIG SOUZA, has been a valued member of the Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina since 1997, and served honorably as vice chairman from 2004 until 2008; and

WHEREAS, He served with distinction on three of the board's standing committees, the Committee on Educational Planning, Policies, and Programs from 1997 until 1999; the Committee on Personnel and Tenure from 1999 until 2003, serving as its vice chairman from 1999 until 2001 and its chairman from 2001 until 2003, then returning from 2004 until 2006; the Committee on University Governance from 2003 until 2004, again from 2006 until 2007, and again from 2008 until 2009; and the Committee on Public Affairs from 2005 until 2006; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Souza provided strong leadership to numerous special committees of the board, including the Committee on the University Award in 1998 and 2004, serving as the chairman; the Committee on Health Affairs in 1998, then in 2000, serving as the chairman, and from 2001 until 2002; the Committee on the O. Max Gardner Award in 1999; the Committee on Committees in 2000, serving as the chairman, and 2003; the 2003 Presidential Assessment Committee, serving as the chairman; the Committee on Public Affairs from 2003 until 2004, at a time when this committee was an *ad hoc* committee; the Committee on the Future of Nursing in 2004; the Tuition Policy Task Force in 2005; the 2005 Presidential Search Committee; the Committee on the Awards for Excellence in Teaching in 2006; and numerous other special committees; and

WHEREAS, Members of the Board of Governors worked closely with Governor James B. Hunt, Jr., and members of the North Carolina General Assembly to secure legislation authorizing a referendum on a \$3.1-billion bond issue for university and community college construction; and

WHEREAS, On November 7, 2000, three out of four North Carolina voters cast ballots in support of the Higher Education Improvement Bonds, representing the largest bond referendum for public education in U. S. History; and

WHEREAS, This distinguished executive, Mr. Souza, served his alma mater, East Carolina University, as a member of its Board of Trustees from 1987 until 1995, and as chairman of the board from 1993 until 1995; and

WHEREAS, He has carried out his duties as a member of the Board of Governors with dignity and resolve, providing valued leadership and counsel throughout his service, especially as an officer of the board;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina express its sincere gratitude to **J. CRAIG SOUZA**, for his dedicated and loyal service to the University and to the State of North Carolina.

This the 8th day of May 2009

{tc \l2 "Adopted by the University of North Carolina Board of Governors on May 9, 2003.}

Hannah D. Gage, *Chairman*

Estelle "Bunny" Sanders, *Secretary*