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A RESOLUTION IN HONOR OF PROVOST MICHAEL R. HALLERAN

Michael R. Halleran became William & Mary's fifth provost on July 1, 2009. He is also a professor of classical studies. At the end of June 2019, Dr. Halleran will step down as Provost and resume his distinguished career as a teacher and scholar in the Department of Classical Studies.

A native of New York City, Dr. Halleran attended Kenyon College (A.B., 1975) where he graduated summa cum laude with high honors in Classics and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. He received his master's degree (1978) and Ph.D. (1981) from Harvard University. His teaching and scholarship have focused on ancient Greek language, literature, intellectual history and mythology. He is the author of *Stagecraft in Euripides* (1985) and numerous scholarly articles, translations and commentaries on classical texts, primarily Greek tragedy.

As the university's chief academic officer, Dr. Halleran has been responsible for all academic and research programs, academic budgets, institutional planning, space allocation and faculty development. He co-chaired the university's strategic planning and business innovation committees and helped shape academic priorities in the university's capital fundraising campaign, *For the Bold*. He also developed and implemented a plan to fully integrate non-tenure-eligible faculty into the life of the university and expanded the diversity of the faculty.

Dr. Halleran played a leading role in implementing the William & Mary Promise, which increased access, affordability and predictability for in-state students while providing more resources for university priorities. He established the Creative Adaptation Fund for curricular innovation, expanded e-learning across the campus – spearheading W&M's efforts to incorporate digital technologies in the classroom – and, with the support of the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, created the W. Taylor Reveley III Interdisciplinary Fellows Program. Dr. Halleran helped establish a Confucius Institute in partnership with Beijing Normal University, and has overseen a major increase in international students on campus and the success of the joint degree programme with the University of St Andrews, Scotland.

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Shortly after arriving at William & Mary, Dr. Halleran launched a community-wide conversation based on the question, "What does it mean to be a leading liberal arts university in the 21st century?" The year-long conversation, which included events, town halls and featured guests, culminated in a white paper, authored by Dr. Halleran. The paper served as a foundation for what would become a faculty-driven process to revamp a general education curriculum that had not been revised in nearly 20 years. In 2015, William & Mary launched the new College Curriculum, or COLL. Comprising about a quarter of undergraduate credits, COLL courses emphasize rigorous thought, research, effective writing and speaking, interdisciplinary connections and global understanding.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Visitors recognizes Michael R. Halleran's visionary commitment to the mission and values of public higher education, liberal arts education and William & Mary, as well as his thoughtfulness, his extraordinary intelligence and his collaborative leadership style; and acknowledges his outstanding contributions as William & Mary's fifth provost; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Visitors hereby expresses their deep appreciation for Dr. Halleran's tireless advocacy for our faculty, students and the excellence of a William & Mary education as well as his ability to look beyond the curve and lay groundwork for so many innovative initiatives during his ten-year tenure; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Visitors also wishes to thank Erin Halleran for her dedication to William & Mary and to her husband's work; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the Board and a copy of the same be delivered to Michael R. Halleran with best wishes for continuing and creative work in the years ahead.

Συγχαρητήρια για μια καλή δουλειά.

Gratulationes nostras accipe ob officium bene factum.

Congratulations on a job well done!