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BOARD OF TRUSTEES
[Resolution 00-12-1]
RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION AND COMMENDATION
TO
President George H. Emert

President George H. Emert, you have served Utah State University with distinction, guiding the institution into the 21st century. With a commitment to excellence, you have devoted the past eight and one-half years to the betterment of the University and state, touching the lives of students, faculty, staff, and citizens alike in a positive way.

During your term as President, you successfully navigated Utah State University through the transition to the semester system, while helping student enrollment increase at an unprecedented pace. Under your innovative leadership and with boundless energy, you increased University pride and awareness by establishing alumni chapters in every county in Utah, in five other western states, and four countries. Aggie pride shines like a beacon throughout the state as a result of your vision in establishing and motivating "County Aggies" to tell the USU story to their legislators and other community leaders. Repeatedly you traveled throughout Utah, the nation, and even internationally, making many new friends and cementing old loyalties for USU.

With a strong sense of what is right, you have been an articulate and effective spokesman in representing Utah State University before the various governing bodies, notably the Utah State Legislature, the Board of Regents, and the Board of Trustees. You have been a leading voice for all of higher education, and have gained critical support for many University programs.

Your enthusiastic support of students and their achievements remained a top priority throughout your tenure. With your support and encouragement, scholarship dollars at USU nearly tripled, and the value of the University's endowment increased more than tenfold.

Through your initiative and support, USU has achieved a record level of funding for research and recognition as a Carnegie I Research Institution. Your strong leadership has been demonstrated in bringing outstanding administrators and faculty to USU, and you have willingly and effectively shared the accomplishments of USU's faculty and students with the world.

You have made many hard decisions at USU, sometimes at personal cost, but in the process, USU has become a greater institution. Your excellent relationship and association with the Board of Trustees is evidenced by our high regard for you and Billie. President Emert, you leave Utah State University with the commendation of the Board of Trustees, and we extend our deep appreciation and respect for your courageous leadership, lofty values, and bold vision that have effectively prepared Utah State University for the challenges of a new century.


Chairman, Board of Trustees

1 December 2000

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION

WHEREAS, Dr. George Emert, former Utah State University president, passed away on March 22, 2018; and

WHEREAS, he served as 13th president of Utah State University from 1992 to 2000; and

WHEREAS, under his leadership, the University experienced record-breaking growth, switched from a quarter to a semester system, and saw the addition of many campus buildings; and

WHEREAS, he oversaw the increase in student scholarships from \$6 million to \$29 million; the school's endowment from \$7 million to \$80 million; and grants from \$89 million to over \$140 million; and

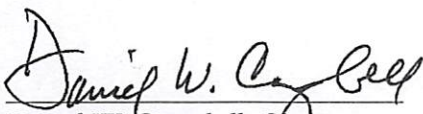
WHEREAS, before coming to Utah State University, he served as an officer in the U.S. Army, earning the Air Medal and Bronze Star in Vietnam, and was the executive vice president at Auburn University; and

WHEREAS, he holds a Bachelors of Science in Zoology and Chemistry from the University of Colorado, a Master of Science in Zoology from Colorado State University, and a Doctor of Philosophy in Biochemistry and Nutrition from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Emert helped guide Utah State University through a period of substantial growth and transition, while remaining committed to the institution's land grant mission;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Utah State Board of Regents, joined by the Commissioner of Higher Education and his staff, and institution presidents, faculty, staff, and students who have worked with George Emert, hereby extend sincere condolences to his wife and four children and their families, and expressions of appreciation and respect for his years of service on behalf of higher education in Utah.

Dated this 30th day of March, 2018.


Daniel W. Campbell, Chair
State Board of Regents




David L. Buhler
Commissioner of Higher Education