BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN SYSTEM

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION

DAVID W. OLIEN

WHEREAS, David W. Olien has honorably served the University of Wisconsin System with great dedication and distinction for 12 years; and

WHEREAS, he has been an advocate for UW System students, faculty and staff in his service as senior vice president since 1997, managing staff responsible for human resources, procurement, safety and loss prevention, and confidential advisor to the President; and

WHEREAS, he served as 'chief of staff' for the Board of Regents "Charting a New Course for the UW System," a study of the university's future, which produced a strategic planning document to preserve access and quality, and guide the UW System for years to come; and

WHEREAS, from 1993 to 1997, David served as vice president of university relations, during which time he directed state governmental relations, federal relations and university communications, building relationships with the Legislature, and informing efforts to reform procurement, improve public broadcasting, and develop the state's economy; and

WHEREAS, David helped to expand the reach of the UW System by serving on the executive committee of all four Wisconsin Economic Summits; ably representing the UW System on the Educational Communications Board, the State Historical Board of Curators, and the Midwestern Higher Education Compact; and has received national honors for his work with legislators in Illinois and Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, David has significantly contributed to the direction and leadership of the UW System and its institutions, having assisted the President and the Regents with the recruitment of all but one of the current University of Wisconsin System Chancellors; and having served the university community and Wisconsin citizens, in the spirit of the Wisconsin Idea;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the University of Wisconsin System Board of Regents highly commends and thanks David W. Olien for his more than a decade of service, and his numerous contributions to higher education in Wisconsin, and extends sincere best wishes in all his future endeavors.

Toby E. Marcovich
President of the UW Board of Regents

Madison, Wisconsin
This Eleventh Day of February
Two Thousand and Five