## APPROVE APPOINTMENT, PRESIDENT EMERITUS

**Action:** Approve President Emeritus Status to Dr. Robert A. Easter, President of the

University of Illinois

**Funding:** Institutional Funds Budget of the University Administration

As you prepare to retire from the University of Illinois, the Board of Trustees wishes to honor you and express its deepest gratitude and respect for your contributions as the 19<sup>th</sup> President of the University of Illinois and distinguished member of the faculty and someone who has answered the call for help during troubled times at the University. Because of your stellar and unwavering commitment to the University of Illinois, the Board of Trustees wishes to grant you the title of President Emeritus. Therefore, the Board hereby approves the appointment of Dr. Robert A. Easter as President Emeritus, effective May 18, 2015.

It would be impossible to honor you without describing the amazing career you have had at the University as a doctoral student, a faculty member and department head in the Department of Animal Sciences, Urbana, Dean of the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences, Urbana, Provost, Chancellor Vice Chancellor of Research and then as President!

Your dedication and service to the University of Illinois has been exemplary. Your thoughtfulness, wisdom, integrity, strong understanding of and deep

caring for the University provided strong leadership that was needed during a tumultuous time and guided the faculty, students and staff of the University of Illinois toward a bright future.