APPROVE RESOLUTION FOR R. MICHAEL TANNER, PROVOST AND VICE CHANCELLOR FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS, CHICAGO

To R. Michael Tanner

The Board of Trustees hereby expresses its appreciation for your distinguished and dedicated service to the University of Illinois at Chicago as Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs.

You have served as UIC’s chief academic and budget officer since July 1, 2002, a time of budget pressures of historic magnitude. Despite these challenges, UIC has continued to make progress across the range of its missions, and this is due in no small part to your skill, experience, integrity, and collegiality.

Under your leadership, the campus has engaged in thoughtful and collaborative deliberations about its future. These studies – Strategic Thinking 2010, a new master plan for UIC’s physical environment, and the Diversity Strategic Thinking and Planning Report – are among the hallmarks of your tenure as Provost. Your other legacies include the recruitment of strong academic leadership for the colleges, collaborative interdisciplinary programs, and improved usage of energy that will not only benefit the environment but save UIC millions of dollars annually.

We congratulate the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities (APLU) upon your selection as Vice President, Academic Affairs. Your record as a
scholar, teacher, and administrator will serve APLU and its member institutions very well.

For your many and significant contributions to UIC students, faculty, and staff, and to the University as a whole, the Board thanks you for your service and wishes you well as you embark on this new and exciting chapter of your career.