Board Meeting September 8, 2016

## RESOLUTION BARBARA J. WILSON

To: Barbara J. Wilson

As you prepare to complete your distinguished service as Interim Chancellor at Urbana-Champaign, the Board of Trustees wishes to honor you and express its deepest gratitude for sharing your talents and leadership at such a pivotal time in the history of the University of Illinois System. The interim role is often regarded as just a caretaker who bridges the gap between administrations. However, circumstances demanded much more of you than this, and you ably rose to the call. You have been a profile in courage on many fronts, successfully engaging with and resolving issues above and beyond the usual command of the interim, something for which we are forever grateful. You have led Urbana-Champaign through a host of challenges with poise, wisdom, and integrity. Your calm, insightful approach has been invaluable in leading this great University forward, including your exemplary work in helping develop our new Strategic Framework, and your capacity to listen and communicate has inspired so many. Along with the members of the Urbana-Champaign community who benefitted from your expertise, a new University president was aided by your advice, counsel, and support.

As a mentor to your colleagues, you have led with a generous, thoughtful, and unselfish grace and your quiet dignity has been a steadying presence throughout the

year. The Board of Trustees and the officers of the University of Illinois wish to extend heartfelt thanks to you, your husband John Lammers, and your family as you return to the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.