

## Resolution

### Approving Establishment of the Carolyn C. Hunter Endowed Support Fund for Excellence in Education for the Center for Palliative and Supportive Care

WHEREAS, Carolyn C. and Robert D. Hunter have generously given gifts to The University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) to establish an endowed support fund in the Center for Palliative and Supportive Care in the School of Medicine; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the donors that these funds be used to further the mission and work of the Center relative to educational programs and activities, conference attendance, volunteer activities, community outreach, and any other initiatives associated with education and outreach by the Center; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hunter has focused her volunteer efforts in palliative care, support for cancer treatment patients and their caregivers, general medical care, and mentorship of young women; and

WHEREAS, in 2000, Ms. Hunter first volunteered at the Joe Lee Griffin Hope Lodge, a facility that provides free housing for cancer treatment patients who live more than 50 miles from Birmingham and their caregivers, and in 2003, she was named “volunteer of the year” and, today, continues to volunteer as receptionist at the Lodge one day each week; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hunter’s work with the guests at Hope Lodge led her to become the first volunteer for UAB’s Center for Palliative and Supportive Care, and during her more than 10 years of service, she has done much to build a team of volunteers to support the Center; and

WHEREAS, from 2002 until 2006, Ms. Hunter co-chaired an annual fundraiser for the Center and, in 2011, was the honoree at the annual event; and

WHEREAS, these two major volunteer efforts led Ms. Hunter to engage with the entire community of volunteers at UAB Hospital and its affiliates as well as the UAB Hospital Auxiliary; and

WHEREAS, from 2010 until 2012, she served as President of the Hospital Auxiliary and, in 2012, was elected Historian of the Alabama Council of Hospital Auxiliaries; and

WHEREAS, aside from this focus on medical care, Ms. Hunter has mentored young women through her involvement with the Kappa Delta Sorority, where she served three terms as President of the local alumnae chapter and for the past six years has served as a national officer of the Sorority; and

WHEREAS, in addition to these activities, Ms. Hunter has served as President of the Amaranth Literary Club (2003-2005) and Secretary of the Alabama Hunter Jumper Association (AHJA) (1997-2001), and she was the recipient of the AHJA sportsmanship award in 2001; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hunter founded the First Circle, a group composed of former First Ladies of the International Association of Defense Counsel, the oldest and most prestigious organization of attorneys representing businesses and insurers, after having served as First Lady of the organization; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hunter received her Bachelor of Arts from Auburn University, where she was secretary of the Student Government Association, treasurer of the Women's Student Government, and membership chair for Kappa Delta Sorority; and

WHEREAS, it is most fitting that this endowment be named the Carolyn C. Hunter Endowed Support Fund for Excellence in Education for the Center for Palliative and Supportive Care to pay tribute to Ms. Hunter's leadership and commitment to the Center; and

WHEREAS, the ongoing contributions of this endowment to the Center's endeavors will enhance the lives of those who benefit from the care provided by the Center for Palliative and Supportive Care and may be expected to be of significant and enduring value to the Center, the University, and the community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it hereby accepts with gratitude these generous gifts and herewith approves establishment of the Carolyn C. Hunter Endowed Support Fund for Excellence in Education for the Center for Palliative and Supportive Care at The University of Alabama at Birmingham.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of this Board, and that copies or any parts of it be sent to Mr. and Mrs. Robert D. Hunter to share with members of their family; to Dr. Rodney O. Tucker, Interim Director of the Center for Palliative and Supportive Care; to Dr. Anupam Agarwal, Interim Senior Vice President and Dean of the School of Medicine; and to other appropriate officials of The University of Alabama at Birmingham.

*The foregoing was adopted by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama at its meeting held April 12, 2013.*



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