

## BOARD APPROVED DECEMBER 2, 2022

Cindy Ream
Corporate Secretary

To: Board of Trustees

From: Mung Chiang, President-elect, and Executive Vice-President for Strategic Initiatives

Date: November 29, 2022

Subject: Recommendation of Trustees Chair Professorship of Teaching and Learning Excellence

I am pleased to recommend that Dr. Jay Akridge be named the Trustees Chair Professor of Teaching and Learning Excellence. Dr. Akridge's case was reviewed by and received support from the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Professor Committee in a unanimous vote of 5 yes, o no in favor of this named professorship. The committee members are Christine Hrycyna, Charles Krousgrill, Haley Oliver, David Rollock and Kathy Salisbury.

In addition to many other achievements, Professor Akridge has been a pioneering, creative, outstanding teacher at Purdue. He was a pioneer of distance and hybrid learning at Purdue, developing an influential, high-impact MS-MBA program and taking it and related programs to the nation and the world in collaboration with academic partner institutions. He is the recipient of every teaching award available to him at Purdue and is a founding member of the Teaching Academy and Book of Great Teachers. He was also recognized nationally for his landmark teaching impact by the Agriculture and Applied Economics Association and has received national leadership awards from the APLU and the Farm Bureau President. All letter writers enthusiastically endorsed this nomination.

Approval Recommended:

Mung Chiang, President-Elect

**Executive Vice President of Strategic Initiatives** 

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Approved:

Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr.

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