**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND CONGRATULATE DR. ALEXANDER MACAULAY ON RECEIVING THE 2015 UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF GOVERNORS AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING.

Whereas, the members of the Senate are pleased to learn that Dr. Alexander Macaulay, originally of West Union, South Carolina, is one of seventeen recipients of the 2015 University of North Carolina Board of Governors Award for Excellence in Teaching; and

Whereas, the son of Maria and retired Judge Alex Macaulay, Dr. Macaulay graduated from Walhalla High School, earned his bachelor’s degree from the Citadel, his master’s degree from the University of Tennessee, and his doctorate degree from the University of Georgia; and

Whereas, since 2004, Dr. Macaulay has been a member of the faculty at Western Carolina University and currently serves as associate professor of history; and

Whereas, Dr. Macaulay is known by students and other educators for his ability to make history more than just the memorization of dates and the study of accomplishments. Students praise him for his availability and his open-door policy, for his thoughtful and concise feedback on their work. Other faculty members admire him for being a dynamic teacher and for his ability to engage students in dynamic classroom activities that make history relevant to them; and

Whereas, Dr. Macaulay has an interest in oral history, which has led his students to record histories of veterans of World War II, the Vietnam War, and recent conflicts in the Middle East; members of the Jackson County African American community; residents forced to leave their homes when the construction of Fontana Dam flooded their communities; and long-time residents of Sylva in connection with the town’s recent one hundred twenty-fifth anniversary celebration; and

Whereas, in addition to oral history, Dr. Macaulay teaches classes in twentieth-century U.S. history, the American South, U.S. cultural history, U.S. diplomatic history, and gender history. He is the author of the book “Marching in Step: Masculinity, Citizenship and the Citadel in Post-World War II America” and has written numerous articles, book chapters, and professional papers; and

Whereas, the UNC Board of Governors Award for Excellence in Teaching was established in April 1994 as a way to highlight the importance of teaching and to reward good teaching across the university. Dr. Macaulay received the award on May 9, 2015, at the Western Carolina University undergraduate commencement ceremony; and

Whereas, the members of the Senate are pleased to honor this son of South Carolina for his commitment to providing high quality education to the students at Western Carolina University and join with his family, friends, and colleagues in congratulating him for receiving this accolade. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the Senate, by this resolution, recognize and congratulate Dr. Alexander Macaulay on receiving the 2015 University of North Carolina Board of Governors Award.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Dr. Alexander Macaulay.

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