

April 11, 2019

**RESOLUTION IN COMMENDATION of the Service of
Nicholas S. Zeppos as Chancellor of Vanderbilt University**

Whereas the University Faculty Senate desires to offer its sincere commendation to Nicholas S. Zeppos for his distinguished service to Vanderbilt University as our 8th Chancellor.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Vanderbilt Faculty Senate commends Chancellor Zeppos for the following meritorious achievements:

- 1) For dramatically increasing the University's focus on diversity, equity and inclusion for faculty, students, and staff;
- 2) For the creation and sustaining of Opportunity Vanderbilt, our University's greatest historical commitment to college affordability and access;
- 3) For institutionalizing a firm commitment to the principles and processes of shared governance with an emphasis on faculty government;
- 4) For the advancement of a robust academic vision for the University that prioritizes the intersection of scholarly research and societal progress;
- 5) For fostering a campus environment of intellectual engagement, academic freedom, and intentional dialogue;
- 6) For dedication to the execution of FutureVU, especially the vision of intentional academic and social engagement between faculty and students within College Halls;
- 7) For leading Vanderbilt – during a period of unprecedented aggression toward the higher education sector – with an unrelenting defense of higher education's contribution to the national discourse;

THE FACULTY SENATE OF VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY CONCURS, that we honor Nicholas S. Zeppos, Chancellor of Vanderbilt University, reflecting with admiration on Mr. Zeppos's exemplary character, his many accomplishments, and his outstanding contributions to Vanderbilt and to higher education as a whole. We extend to him our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling life and every continued success in his future endeavors.