

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE EVERGREEN STATE COLLEGE**

June 9, 2011

Trustees Attending: Nathan Brockett
Carver Gayton
Irene Gonzales
Kristin Hayden
Denny Heck
Keith Kessler
Anne Proffitt

Absent: Paul Winters

Staff Present: John Carmichael, Executive Assistant to the President
Art Costantino, Vice President for Student Affairs
Julie Garver, Director of Government Relations
Lee Hoemann, Vice President for College Advancement
John Hurley, Vice President for Finance and Administration
Collin Orr, Director of Business Services
Thomas L. Purce, President
Ken Tabbutt, Interim Academic Vice President and Provost
Steve Trotter, Executive Director of Operational Planning and Budget

Others present: Jonathan Lindsay, Staff Representative to the Board
Kelsy Melton, Geoduck Student Union Representative to the Board
Joe Tougas, Faculty Representative to the Board
Colleen Warren, Senior Assistant Attorney General

Thursday, June 9, 2011

Trustee Irene Gonzales called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. in the Board Room (Library 3201) of The Evergreen State College. A quorum was present with Trustees Brockett, Gayton, Gonzales, Hayden, Heck, Proffitt attending. Mr. Kessler joined the meeting shortly thereafter.

Executive Session

Dr. Gonzales announced that the Board would move into executive session to discuss the performance of a public employee, returning to an open public meeting at 10:05 a.m. Trustee Brockett excused himself from the discussion. The Board returned to open public meeting as scheduled.

Introduction

President Purce introduced Joe Tougas, Faculty Representative to the Board.

Quarterly Financial Reports

Vice President for Finance and Administration John Hurley and Director of Business Services Collin Orr presented quarterly financial reports for the period ending March 31. Mr. Orr presented a statement of net assets, a statement of revenue and expenses, a report of dedicated local revenue, a report of expenses by division, and reports of capital and auxiliary accounts. Dr. Hurley responded to questions about the effect of the out-of-state travel freeze on budgets and staff development. He also discussed the Facilities Labor

Pool, a part of the capital budget which funds positions working on facilities preservation and maintenance projects.

Mr. Orr presented audited financial statements for the year ending June 30, 2010. Dr. Hurley said that the audited financial statements are similar to the financial reports presented to the Board previously, but have now been reviewed by the state auditor. The Board will be asked to formally accept the audited financial statements as a true picture of the college's financial standing.

Legislative Report

Director of Government Relations Julie Garver distributed a summary of new legislation affecting higher education policy. She described legislation affecting retirement plans for exempt staff and faculty and changing the rules for re-hiring of retired employees. She described legislation creating an endowed scholarship for students in certain fields to be funded through a combination of public and private contributions. She described legislation to phase out the Higher Education Coordinating Board. She discussed legislation that defines new tuition policy, giving higher education institutions authority for a period of time to raise tuition above legislatively established levels if certain conditions are met.

Budget Work Session

Executive Director for Operational Planning and Budget Steve Trotter said that the extended legislative session had affected the college's timeline for finalizing biennial budgets. He recalled that the Board had heard at the previous meeting budget proposals for Housing and Dining rates and Services and Activities Fee allocations and rates for 2011-13. He noted a proposal for an increase in the Health and Counseling fee. He said that staff has prepared recommendations for the largest part of the college's operating budget, which includes state funding and tuition. President Purce said that the recommendation included budget cuts, tuition increases, new expenses related to higher levels of enrollment and other needs, and plans for maintaining a prudent reserve fund in light of current economic uncertainty.

Mr. Trotter presented an analysis of the final legislative budget, which decreases state support of the college by \$14 million (about 28%). He recalled that the previous biennium saw a similar reduction in state support. He said that the legislative budget also sets policies that direct how the reduced state support can be absorbed. The legislative budget assumes a 14% tuition increase in both years of the biennium and assumes that the college's compensation base will be reduced by 3%. In addition, the college staff proposes to re-set enrollment goals to a higher level, recognizing tuition revenue that can be used to offset cuts. After these and other adjustments, the college was left with a \$3.4 million gap between revenues and expenses, about 3.3% of the budget.

Mr. Trotter described the effect of the tuition increases proposed in the legislative budget assumptions. Tuition for resident undergraduates would increase 14% each year, from the current \$5,585 per year. This would add \$782 in the first year and \$891 in the second year. Staff recommends increasing non-resident undergraduate tuition by 5% each year adding \$836 in the first year and \$877 in the second year to the current annual tuition rate of \$16,711. Resident graduate tuition would increase \$335 in the first year and \$351 in the second year from the current rate of \$6,691 per year. Non-resident graduate tuition would be held at \$19,506 per year.

Mr. Trotter noted that staff budget proposals recognizes several new expenses, including the cost of funding pension contributions that the state will no longer support, the cost of funding actuarial liabilities associated with pensions, the cost of faculty to support the assumed level of enrollment, and costs of marketing, student recruitment and financial aid associated with reaching the enrollment goals on which the budget depends. In addition, the budget provides funding to respond to several issues, including the public records program, emergency response planning, broadband service to the campus, and assistive technology.

Mr. Trotter said that the staff proposal included a mix of cuts to the base operating budget and the use of one-time resources. Each of the Vice Presidents described the proposed cuts in their divisions. Mr. Trotter said that the overall institutional plan would reduce the college's employee FTE count by 19.5. Most of these represent vacant positions. Four are layoffs.

Mr. Trotter presented a recent history of the college's fund balances and projected fund balances. He said that fund balances have grown from a combination of over-enrollment and belt-tightening measures, including hiring and spending freezes. The sources of money that helped grow fund balances are now devoted to ongoing base expenses. Consequently, fund balances are expected to decline.

Vice President for Finance and Administration John Hurley reviewed the proposed capital budget spending plan. He noted that the smaller minor works budget would put a strain on the Facilities Labor Pool. The reduced level of funding for the COM Building renovation will also present challenges.

Break

The Board adjourned for lunch at 12:05 p.m. and reconvened at 1:30 p.m. with a quorum present.

Accepting Audited Financial Statements

Motion Mr. Heck made a motion to accept the audited financial statements for fiscal year 2010
2011-14 as presented. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

Appointing Board Officers

Motion On behalf of the nominating committee, Mr. Kessler moved to appoint Paul Winters as
2011-15 Chair, Keith Kessler and Kristin Hayden as Vice Chairs, and Carver Gayton as Secretary of the Board for the 2011-12 year. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

Mr. Kessler said that Dr. Gayton would continue to serve as the Board's liaison to The Evergreen State College Foundation and that Dr. Gayton and Mr. Heck would serve as the Board's audit committee.

Setting Summer Tuition

Interim Academic Vice President and Provost Ken Tabbutt reviewed the recommendation for summer tuition presented at the previous meeting. He said that the recommended tuition levels would allow the summer session to continue as a self-supporting operation while providing revenue to support operations during the regular academic year.

Motion Dr. Gayton made a motion to approve increases in the summer school 2011 tuition rates
2011-16 (operating fee) of 12% for resident undergraduate, 0% for resident graduate and 10% for non-resident undergraduate and graduate students. The motion was seconded.

In discussion of the motion, Mr. Heck, Mr. Kessler, and Dr. Gayton expressed regret that very difficult economic times make tuition increases a necessity.

The motion passed on a voice vote.

Renewing an Agreement with The Evergreen State College Foundation

Vice President for Finance and Administration John Hurley and Vice President for College Advancement Lee Hoemann recommended that the Board renew the college's agreement with The Evergreen State College Foundation. Dr. Hurley said that the terms and conditions of the agreement remain the same.

The agreement allows the college to provide up to \$3 million in goods and services to the Foundation in exchange for a comparable level of fundraising services.

Motion Ms. Profitt made a motion to approve renewal of the agreement between The Evergreen
2011-17 State College and The Evergreen State College Foundation. The motion was seconded
and passed on a voice vote.

Minutes from May

Motion Ms. Proffitt made a motion to approve the minutes of the May meeting as presented.
2011-18 The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

Student Trustee Report

Dr. Gonzales invited Nathan Brockett to report as Student Trustee. Trustee Brockett noted that the student trustee term ends on June 30 and offered reflections on the past year, thanking the Board for the welcome and respect shown to the Student Trustee. Each of the Trustees in turn expressed appreciation for Trustee Brockett's contributions to the Board. President Purce presented a gift on behalf of the Board.

President's Report

President Purce invited Jonathan Lindsay to report as Staff Representative to the Board. Mr. Lindsay said that the college is a constant state of transition that is visible through uncertainty about the budget and through disruptive capital projects. He said that staff is aware that the college is changing, but that how it is changing is not always clear. Although staff are likely relieved that the budget proposal includes only a few layoffs, the larger reduction in FTE represents increased workload for the staff who remain.

President Purce invited Kelsy Melton to report as the Geoduck Student Union (GSU) Representative to the Board. Ms. Melton said that the recent student elections included three ballot initiatives. One asked if students feel more comfortable if the police carry tasers. A majority of those voting answered, "Yes." A second initiative asked if students would support consideration of a technology fee. A majority of those voting answered, "Yes." A third asked if students would support consideration of a new fee to support an anti-oppression workshop. A majority of those voting answered, "No." The vote also served to elect new members of the GSU. A few members were elected for a second term. Ms. Melton also noted that a piece of Caterpillar equipment is being used to move staging for graduation. She said the GSU continues to support divestment and a Caterpillar boycott. She said that the GSU is happy that the college has formed a committee to work on socially responsible investing, but does not believe that this is a substitute for divestment.

President Purce invited Joe Tougas to report as the Faculty Representative to the Board. Dr. Tougas said that the faculty have a new process for electing the chair of the faculty, which provides more predictability in roles. Dr. Tougas, who is finishing a term as chair, will serve as Faculty Representative to the Board next year. Andrew Reece, who was elected last year to serve as chair in 2011-12, will serve as Faculty Representative to the Board in 2012-13. Dr. Tougas thanked Ken Tabbutt for his work as Interim Academic Vice President and Provost and said that the faculty look forward to working with the new Provost, Michael Zimmerman.

President Purce asked Interim Academic Vice President and Provost Ken Tabbutt to provide an update on accreditation. Dr. Tabbutt said that the accreditation steering committee will work over the summer to complete the college's first-year accreditation report. The report is built upon the college's updated mission statement. Based on the mission, the steering committee in consultation with the campus, has identified core themes, objectives, and indicators that will be presented in the first-year report and will provide a framework for reporting over the seven-year accreditation cycle. Dr. Tabbutt distributed a draft of the themes, objectives and indicators that the committee has developed to date.

Appointment of Emeritus Faculty

Interim Academic Vice President and Provost Ken Tabbutt, on behalf of the faculty, recommended that the Board confer the title of Emeritus Member of the Faculty on Nalini Nadkarni, Sally Cloninger, Dave Hitchens, Raúl Nakasone, Charles Pailthorp, and Setsuko Tsutsumi.

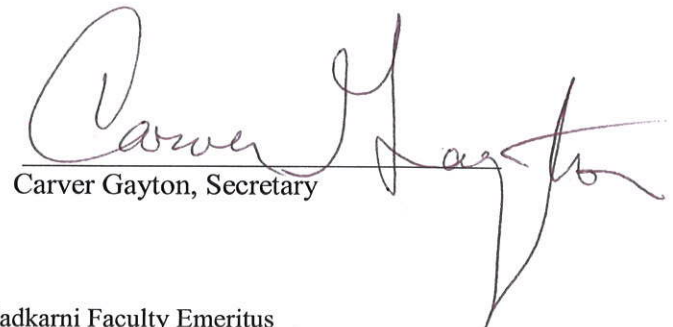
- Motion 2011-19** Mr. Kessler made a motion to adopt Resolution 2011-04 appointing Nalini M. Nadkarni Faculty Emeritus. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.
- Motion 2011-20** Trustee Brockett made a motion to adopt Resolution 2011-05 appointing Sally Cloninger Faculty Emeritus. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.
- Motion 2011-21** Mr. Heck made a motion to adopt Resolution 2011-06 appointing David L. Hitchens Faculty Emeritus. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.
- Motion 2011-22** Dr. Gayton made a motion to adopt Resolution 2011-07 appointing Raúl Nakasone Faculty Emeritus. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.
- Motion 2011-23** Ms. Proffitt made a motion to adopt Resolution 2011-08 appointing Charles Pailthorp Faculty Emeritus. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.
- Motion 2011-24** Ms. Hayden made a motion to adopt Resolution 2011-09 appointing Setsuko Tsutsumi Faculty Emeritus. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

Dr. Tabbutt presented a gift to each of the new Emeritus Faculty members and Dr. Gonzales invited the recipients in attendance to say a few words.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:18 p.m.


Paul Winters, Chair


Carver Gayton, Secretary

Attachments: Resolution 2011-04 appointing Nalini M. Nadkarni Faculty Emeritus
Resolution 2011-05 appointing Sally Cloninger Faculty Emeritus
Resolution 2011-06 appointing David L. Hitchens Faculty Emeritus
Resolution 2011-07 appointing Raúl Nakasone Faculty Emeritus
Resolution 2011-08 appointing Charles Pailthorp Faculty Emeritus
Resolution 2011-09 appointing Setsuko Tsutsumi Faculty Emeritus

*Resolution No. 2011-04
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Conferring Emeritus Status Upon Nalini M. Nadkarni


UPON unanimous recommendation of the Faculty of The Evergreen State College, and

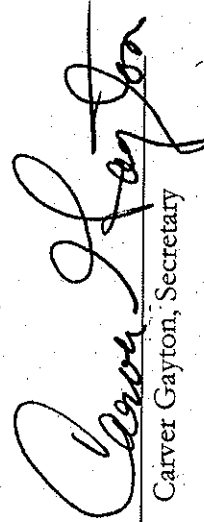
IN RECOGNITION of 20 years of dedicated service to The Evergreen State College as a Member of the Faculty; of her contributions to the curriculum in forest ecology; of her pioneering forest canopy research; of her work to found and lead the International Forest Canopy Network, Research Ambassador Program and Sustainable Prisons Project;

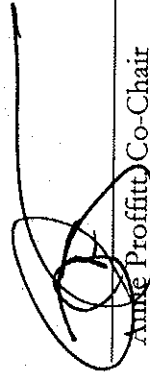
IN APPRECIATION of her contagious joy of research and teaching; of her captivating lectures; of her work to engage non-traditional audiences in prisons, churches, the inner city and beyond in scientific inquiry; of her inexhaustible energy and creativity; of her mentorship of both scientific rigor and creativity; of her truly interdisciplinary work both in and out of the classroom; of her understanding of the importance and profound beauty of the forest; and of Tree-Top Barbie;

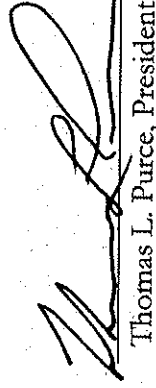
The Board of Trustees does hereby confer the title of **EMERITUS MEMBER OF THE FACULTY** upon Nalini Nadkarni, with all the rights and privileges pertaining thereto.

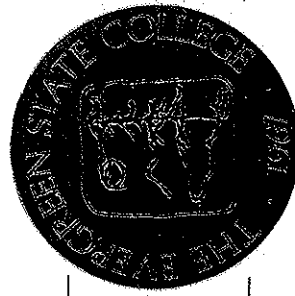
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Carver Gayton, Secretary


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Thomas L. Purce, President



Resolution No. 2011-05
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Conferring Emeritus Status Upon Sally J. Cloninger

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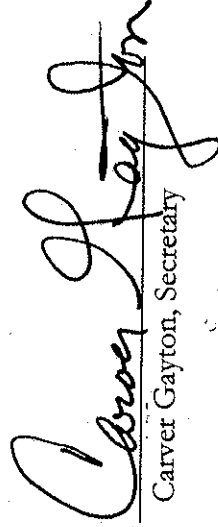
IN RECOGNITION of 33 years of dedicated service to The Evergreen State College as a Member of the Faculty; of her founding contributions to the curriculum in media arts and media activism; of her major college governance work, including Expressive Arts Planning Unit Coordinator, long-range curriculum planning and the Evergreen Visual History Collection; of her understanding of the College as a whole entity; of her international work with and about women and the media;


IN APPRECIATION of her ability to design creative and challenging ways for students and colleagues to use media for social change; of her high expectations of herself and others; of her attention to both craft and critique; of her specific and clear evaluations of student work; of her ability to distinguish between the important and not-so-important; of her collegial mentorship; of her persistence and good will; and of her ability to encourage fun in the most serious of endeavors;

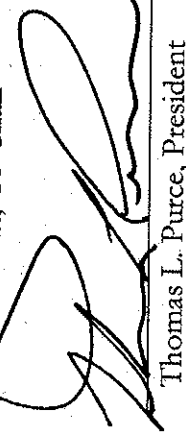
The Board of Trustees does hereby confer the title of **EMERITUS MEMBER OF THE FACULTY** upon Sally Cloninger, with all the rights and privileges pertaining thereto.

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*Resolution No. 2011-06
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Conferring Emeritus Status Upon David L. Hitchens


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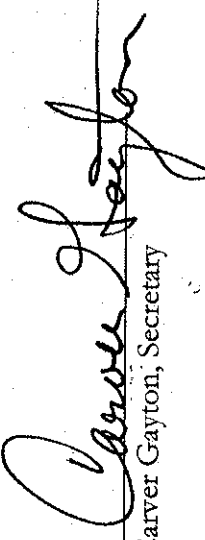
IN RECOGNITION of 41 years of dedicated service to The Evergreen State College as a Founding Member of the Faculty; of his lasting contributions toward the development of the college; of his contributions to the curriculum in the areas of history, American studies, international studies, political science, literature and writing;

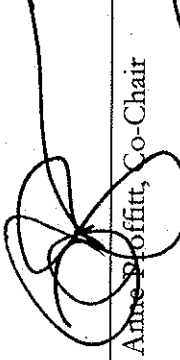
IN APPRECIATION of his wide-ranging scholarly curiosity; of his enduring commitment to interdisciplinary teaching; of his work with students to develop their skills in "reading, writing, thinking and talking"; of his unpretentious collegiality and warm encouragement; of his continually renewed enthusiasm for learning; of his lecture-performances that are both accessible and interesting to students; of his open and frank interactions with colleagues in lectures and discussions; of his rigorous and supportive work as a master teacher; and of his continued commitment to and love for Evergreen;

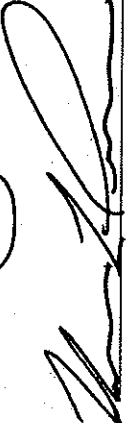
The Board of Trustees does hereby confer the title of EMERITUS MEMBER OF THE FACULTY upon David Hitchens, with all the rights and privileges pertaining thereto.

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*Resolution No. 2011-07
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Conferring Emeritus Status Upon Raúl Nakasone

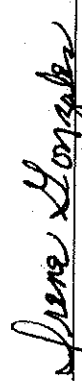
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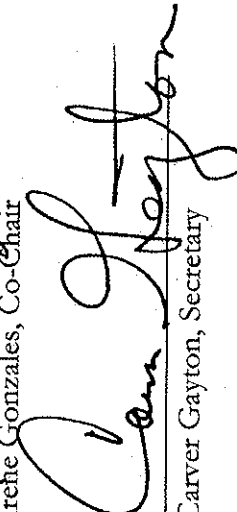
IN RECOGNITION of 20 years of dedicated service to The Evergreen State College as a Member of the Faculty; of his contributions to the curriculum in Education, and Native and Latin American Studies, with a particular focus on Peruvian culture and history; of his deep explorations of the relationship between theory and practice; of his commitment to multicultural and international education;


IN APPRECIATION of his honest respect for both colleagues and students; of his authentic and affirming work with students; of his work with students to conduct international community work in Peru; of his teaching that asks students to examine what difference their academic work will make in their lives and within their communities; and of his enduring commitment to his homeland;


The Board of Trustees does hereby confer the title of **EMERITUS MEMBER OF THE FACULTY** upon Raúl Nakasone, with all the rights and privileges pertaining thereto.

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*Resolution No. 2011-08
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Conferring Emeritus Status Upon Charles Pailthorp


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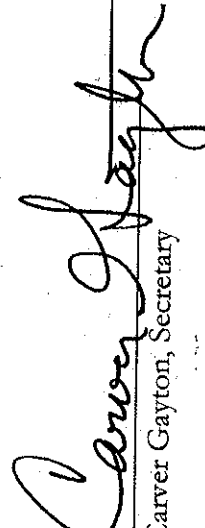
IN RECOGNITION of 40 years of dedicated service to The Evergreen State College as a Member of the Faculty; of his contributions to the curriculum in the areas of philosophy, literature, history, writing, music and performing arts to name but a few; of his major contributions to college governance throughout his career, including as academic dean; of his breadth and depth of teaching and knowledge; of his commitment to ongoing professional growth;

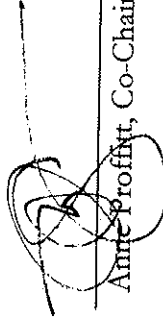
IN APPRECIATION of his mind that ranges both far and deep; of his clear and thoughtful evaluations of students work; of his readiness to let newer faculty teaching partners take the lead; of his leadership in faculty labor relations; of his interest in truly knowing his students; of his fine faculty seminars; of his ability to be both candid and succinct; of his generous collegiality and support; and of his instruction to students to "just say what you think";

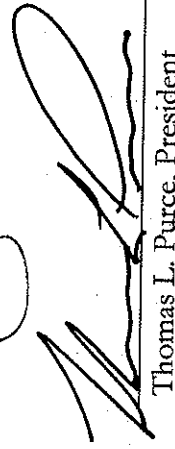
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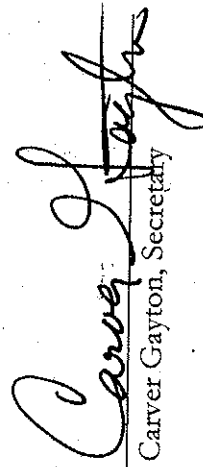
IN RECOGNITION of 26 years of dedicated service to The Evergreen State College as a Member of the Faculty; of her contributions to the establishment of a Japanese studies curriculum; of her expertise in a multitude of disciplines in relation to Japan, including history, literature, religion, arts, film and pop culture; of her faculty exchange work where she both shared her Japanese expertise and promoted Evergreen's teaching philosophy;

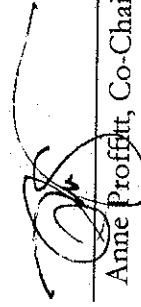
IN APPRECIATION of her many meticulously arranged cultural immersion trips with students in Japan; of her support for Evergreen's Japanese faculty exchange program; of her strong respect for and rapport with her students; of her specific, analytical evaluations of student work; of her well-conceived programs, both in design and implementation; and of her work to present the Japanese perspective with its cultural integrity and unique context;

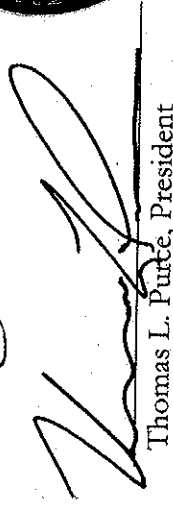
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