## **RESOLUTION NO. 2009-12**

## A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF RONALD D. RIGGINS

**WHEREAS**, in August, 2007, **RONALD D. RIGGINS** was appointed by President Karen W. Morse as Dean of the College of Fine and Performing Arts, at Western Washington University; and

WHEREAS, RONALD D. RIGGINS brought to his appointment as Dean of the College of Fine and Performing Arts, a total of seven years of experience as Dean of Fairhaven College; as well as one previous year of experience as Interim Dean of the College of Fine and Performing Arts; four years experience as Chair of the Department of Physical Education, Health and Recreation; two years experience as Interim Chair of the Department of Modern and Classical Languages; and ten years service as the university's Faculty Athletics Representative; and

WHEREAS, RONALD D. RIGGINS also brought to his appointment as Dean thirty years experience as a professor of recreation in the Department of Physical Education, Health and Recreation at Western Washington University preceded by service as a instructor at Indiana University, Bloomington and a teacher at various California school districts; and

WHEREAS, RONALD D. RIGGINS received his undergraduate degree at La Verne College and his graduate degree and doctorate from Indiana University, Bloomington; and

WHEREAS, RONALD D. RIGGINS is known by faculty and students as a dean who is an effective listener with respect for the views of others; and as a dean who has been able to successfully bridge the gap between the visionary leader role and the mobilizing role; as well as a dean who also has a strong personal and professional commitment to pluralism; and

WHEREAS, RONALD D. RIGGINS is considered to be a highly effective leader who has taken on a number of very difficult administrative assignments with conspicuous success; and has served with commitment and distinction as Dean of the College of Fine and Performing Arts during a challenging period of transition; and

**WHEREAS**, **RONALD D. RIGGINS** has completed his appointment as Dean of the College of Fine and Performing Arts;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University offers thanks and commendation to **RONALD D. RIGGINS** for his many achievements and for his service as Dean of the College of Fine and Performing Arts.

Dated and signed this 14<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2009.

Philip E. Sharpe, Jr., Chair

Dennis Madsen, Secretary