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Request for Authorization to Confer the Title of Professor Emeritus of Electronics and Computer Engineering Technology on Lawrence Strizich; Montana State University Northern

THAT

Upon the occasion of retirement of Dr. Larry Strizich from MSU-Northern, the faculty of the College of Technical Sciences wishes to express its appreciation for his service to the University, the Montana University System, and the people of the State of Montana.

EXPLANATION

Dr. Lawrence (Larry) Strizich, P.E., a tenured Professor in Electronics and Computer Engineering Technology, began his teaching career at Northern Montana College (NMC) in 1988, and progressed through the ranks to full professor. He obtained a 4-year Bachelor of Science, Electrical Engineering from the University of Colorado in 1974, and a Master's of Engineering in Computer Engineering from the University of Idaho-Moscow in 1996. Dr. Strizich then went on to attain his PhD in Adult and Higher Education from Montana State University in Bozeman, MT. Dr. Strizich is also a registered Professional Engineer in the State of Montana.

As a member of the faculty of MSU-Northern, Dr. Strizich helped develop programs in Electronics Engineering Technology and in Computer Engineering Technology that met the criteria for accreditation by the Technology Accreditation Council of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (TAC-ABET). He additionally served as both ABET Accreditation representative for the institution, and for the Northwest Council on Colleges and University (NWCCU) – the regional accrediting agency for the institution. He has developed and taught courses dealing with digital control and systems, sensors and programmable logic devices, in addition to Computer Information Systems and programming. Professor Strizich also consulted on projects in computer control of diesel and automotive engines and on basic research projects conducted by undergraduate students.

Dr. Strizich was actively involved with the MSU-Northern campus. He served as the Chair of the College of Technical Sciences (2003-2014) and was involved with various organizations and committees on campus, including: SkillsUSA contest Chair-person, faculty Academic Senate member and Academic Senate President, Chair of the Assessment Committee, faculty advisor for the IEEE (Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineer) Student Chapter, President of the local 4045 Faculty Union, accreditation team member for the Technology Council of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology TAC/ABET) and participated in several faculty and staff search committees.

Dr. Strizich also has been involved in his local community, serving on the board of the Cascade County Study Commission.

For these and other contributions, the Board of Regents of Higher Education is pleased to confer on Dr. Lawrence Strizich the rank of Professor Emeritus of Electronics and Computer Engineering Technology at Montana State University-Northern and wishes him well for many years in the future.

ATTACHMENTS

None