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May 1, 2017

**University of Alaska Fairbanks  
Staff Council  
Resolution 2017-281-2  
*Approved***

**Resolution 2017-281-2:**

**UAF Staff Council unanimously approved the following resolution on At Staff Council Meeting #281, on May 1, 2017:**

**Resolution of Appreciation for Dana Thomas**

**WHEREAS**, Dana Thomas has served as Interim Chancellor of the University of Alaska Fairbanks for academic year 2017-2018, and

**WHEREAS**, Dana came out of retirement to lead UAF, his alma mater, through a time in which the university faced difficult decisions due to severe budget reductions and extensive structural change associated with UA Strategic Pathways; and

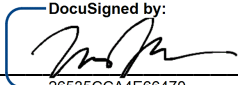
**WHEREAS**, prior to his initial retirement from UA, Dana served as UA Vice President for Academic Affairs, during which time he oversaw UA System Governance. In this capacity, Dana was a strong supporter of governance throughout the university system; and

**WHEREAS**, Dana has been an advocate for Staff Council, and has supported our signature Staff Volunteer Day resolution, which our University Advocacy Committee has long been working to implement; and

**WHEREAS**, Dana has strived to consider feedback from all sources before making important decisions for the University, a process that is sometimes lengthy but provides the opportunity for people to express their viewpoints and feel like they were heard and that their opinions were valued; and

**WHEREAS**, Dana and his wife Kay are beloved members of the University and Greater Fairbanks communities, and have been tireless public advocates for UAF; now

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Staff Council of the University of Alaska Fairbanks hereby offers thanks and commendation to Dr. Dana Thomas for his many achievements and many forms of service, including Interim Chancellor, to UAF.

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Nate Bauer, President

May 10, 2017  
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