

RESOLUTION ON ADVANCING THE NAMING OF THE MARCHING VIRGINIANS CENTER AT VIRGINIA TECH FOR JAMES SOCHINSKI AND DAVID MCKEE

WHEREAS, the Board of Visitors approved a resolution in June 2014 to name the Marching Virginians Center for James Sochinski and David McKee with an effective date of one year subsequent to the retirement of former band director Sochinski and current band director McKee (whichever is later), as agreed upon by the donor; and

WHEREAS, the naming was made possible through the generosity of Michael J. Sciarrino, and the donor desires now to advance the naming of the center to ensure that the honorees are able to realize and celebrate this honor during their lifetimes; and

WHEREAS, advancing the naming will inspire and forever connect the current and former Marching Virginians Band members who comprise this unique fraternity of enthusiastic Hokie musicians;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Marching Virginians Center will be known henceforth as the Sochinski-McKee Marching Virginians Center.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution advancing the naming of the Sochinski-McKee Marching Virginians Center be approved, effective immediately.

March 21, 2016

PREVIOUS RESOLUTION:

WHEREAS, Michael J. Sciarrino graduated from Virginia Tech in 1984 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting and in 1986 with a Master's Degree in Accounting; and

WHEREAS, Michael Sciarrino has had a successful and respected career in accounting and housing development and has served as a member of the Tampa Bay/Orlando Regional Campaign Committee for his alma mater; and

WHEREAS, Michael and Deborah Sciarrino have been recognized as members of the Ut Prosim Society for their philanthropy to the university with considerable support provided to the Marching Virginians Endowment and the Marching Virginians Practice Facility; and

WHEREAS, Michael and Deborah Sciarrino have made generous contributions to the Marching Virginians, the Pamplin College of Business and Athletics and have also made a substantial documented commitment in support of the Marching Virginians Practice Facility; and

WHEREAS, Michael Sciarrino is a former member of the Marching Virginians and wishes to honor Dr. James Sochinski, Director of the Marching Virginians from 1976 to 1981, and Mr. David McKee, Director of the Marching Virginians from 1986 to the present; and

WHEREAS, Michael and Deborah Sciarrino have been, and continue to be, valued members of the university community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in acknowledgement of the service and generosity of Michael and Deborah Sciarrino, in recognition of past and future benefits to the university, and in honor of Dr. James Sochinski and Mr. David McKee, the Marching Virginians Practice Facility will be known as the Sochinski-McKee Marching Virginians Center once both Dr. Sochinski and Mr. McKee are retired from the university for one full year, whichever is later.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution naming the Sochinski-McKee Marching Virginians Center be approved.

June 2, 2014

**RESOLUTION ON NAMING THE INSTRUMENT ROOM IN THE
MARCHING VIRGINIANS CENTER FOR THE FRED GIBSON FAMILY**

WHEREAS, Frederick C. Gibson graduated from Virginia Tech in 1978 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemical Engineering; and

WHEREAS, Frederick C. Gibson has had a successful and respected career in the oil and gas industry and, with the participation and full support of his wife, Peggy S. Gibson, an important volunteer career to include service as a member of the Regional Campaign Committee for the *Campaign for Virginia Tech: Invent the Future*, and as an Alumni Chapter Leader; and

WHEREAS, Fred and Peggy Gibson have been recognized as members of the Ut Prosim Society for their philanthropy to the university to include support for the College of Engineering, the College of Science, Bioinformatics, and the Alumni Annual Fund, and with considerable support provided to the Marching Virginians Endowment and the Marching Virginians Practice Facility; and

WHEREAS, Fred Gibson has established a family legacy at Virginia Tech to include his son, Frederick Gibson, III ('06) and his daughter, Mara Gibson ('09), who have all been a part of the honored tradition of the Marching Virginians; and

WHEREAS, Fred and Peggy Gibson have been, and continue to be, valued members of the university community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in acknowledgement of the service and generosity of Fred and Peggy Gibson and in recognition of past and future benefits to the university, the instrument room of the Marching Virginians Center will be known as the Fred Gibson Family Instrument Room.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution naming the Fred Gibson Family Instrument Room be approved.

March 21, 2016