



# UC MERCED ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MENDENHALL RESOLUTION

ASSOCIATE VICE CHANCELLOR OF DEVELOPMENT, JAN MENDENHALL RECOGNITION RESOLUTION  
FEBRUARY 10, 2018

## **PURPOSE: TO COMMEND JAN MENDENHALL FOR HER SERVICE, STEWARDSHIP, AND DEDICATION DURING HER TENURE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, MERCED FOR NEARLY TWENTY-YEARS**

- Whereas, Jan Andow Mendenhall began her service to the University of California, Merced in 1998—one of the very first and longest serving employees.
- Whereas, a native of the Central Valley and a UC Davis alumnae, Jan's passion, devotion, and dedication are exemplified by her assistance in supporting the evolution of the University of California, Merced Foundation as well as continued trustee cultivation and stewardship;
- Whereas, Jan has tirelessly worked to cultivate and steward philanthropic support for UC Merced ensuring student success and the advancement of innovative research—many of the notable names prominently adorned around campus are a testament to Jan's transformative philanthropic efforts—from Gallo to Wallace; to Reddy and Souza; to Bright and Lakireddy, and so many more;
- Whereas, there are so many great works of Jan's to name, however the most endearing to UCMAA is the realization of the Wallace-Dutra Amphitheater envisioned by the Class of 2009—a campus center piece for outdoor events and activities;
- Whereas, before there were UC Merced students, yet alone alumni, Jan was instrumental in the establishment of the San Joaquin Valley UC Alumni Network, in which UCMAA is proud to collaborate and leverage the power of the world's most prominent research university to better California's San Joaquin Valley;
- Whereas, Jan further cultivated strong community relations by collaboratively establishing the University Friends Circle with Mia Kang (Chancellor Sung Mo Steve Kang's Wife);
- Whereas, UCMAA was able to establish and grow an endowed scholarship thanks to Jan cultivating the Wells Fargo and Foster Poultry Farms three to one match for scholarships in which we leveraged with #GiveTueUCM a part of the international Giving Tuesday movement—we are eternally grateful for this amazing match opportunity;
- Whereas, Jan's immense contributions to our alma-mater are deeply and widely felt by all bobcats and many more—a truly irreplaceable contributor and strategist who has left an indelible mark on UC Merced;

Be it resolved, that the UCMAA commends Jan Andow Mendenhall for her service, stewardship, and dedication to UC Merced during her nearly twenty-year tenure as Associate Vice Chancellor for Development, and we wish her well in retirement;

Be it further resolved, that in gratitude for her service, stewardship, and dedication to UC Merced Alumni and Students, the UCMAA hereby grants Jan Andow Mendenhall honorary membership, and all the rights and privileges thereto—Let The Journey Continue;

Be it finally resolved, that the University of California, Merced Alumni Association shall transmit this resolution to the UC Merced Chancellor, UC Office of the President, UC Board of Regents, and any other persons or organizations deemed appropriate by the President of the University of California, Merced Alumni Association.

The officers of the UC Merced Alumni Association Board of Directors hereby sign this resolution reaffirming its authenticity as passed by the Board of Directors on February 10, 2018.