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A RESOLUTION HONORING AND COMMENDING

**JAMES L. APPLGATE**

for his service to the Council on Postsecondary Education and the people of Kentucky

WHEREAS, Jim Applegate has ably served the Council on Postsecondary Education as its senior fellow and vice president for academic affairs since May 1999; and

WHEREAS, Jim has devoted his career at the Council to raising the educational attainment of Kentuckians, including helping to lead Kentucky's nationally recognized efforts to support college success for adult learners and assisting in the successful launch of Kentucky's State P-16 Council; and

WHEREAS, Jim has led efforts to reach out to traditionally underserved Kentuckians, including leading the launch of GoHigherKy, one of the first and most successful state-level college access campaigns, and bringing the federal GEAR UP program to Kentucky which has helped more than 18,000 low-income middle and high school students succeed in college; and

WHEREAS, Jim has helped to increase efficiency and productivity within the postsecondary system, leading the Council's program productivity reviews to increase degree production, resulting in closure of more than 200 academic programs and restructuring of more than 400; and

WHEREAS, there has been no more passionate supporter of postsecondary reform in Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, Jim has taken a national leadership role in higher education policy and management, including serving on the American Council on Education's advisory committee for its Center for Policy Research, the ACT's Education Advisory Board, and Secretary of Education Margaret Spelling's steering committee on the implementation of the Commission on the Future of Higher Education's final report; and

WHEREAS, we are saddened with his departure but wish him the best as he assumes his new role as senior vice president at Lumina Foundation for Education, where he will have the opportunity to make a major impact on postsecondary education, not only in Kentucky but across the nation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council on Postsecondary Education does hereby adopt this resolution September 28, 2008, and deeply thanks Jim for his dedication and service to the Council on Postsecondary Education and his commitment to improving the lives of the people of Kentucky.

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John S. Turner, Chair

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard A. Crofts". The signature is cursive and somewhat stylized.

Richard Crofts, Interim President