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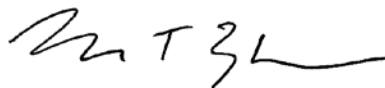
**NATIONAL SCIENCE BOARD**

**IN HONOR OF DR. MICHAEL L. VAN WOERT**

WHEREAS, Over the past six years, Dr. Michael L. Van Woert has reinvented the National Science Board office through his inspirational leadership and his steadfast devotion to the mission of the National Science Board. Dr. Van Woert's determination to provide the Board with the tools and information it needs to perform its governance responsibilities is a legacy to which his successors should aspire; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Van Woert is an accomplished oceanographic scientist in his own right. His extensive experience in operations and management of scientific endeavors spanning the private and public sectors brought a real world perspective to the Board and to the Foundation as a whole. Dr. Van Woert embraced the essential character of the Board, its dual missions of stewarding the scientific enterprise and governing the Foundation, of acting with the Director while providing independent oversight to NSF. His vision and anticipation of the Board's needs led to his reorganization of the National Science Board Office as well as a stronger focus on mission by that office and the Board itself;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the National Science Board expresses its deep and profound appreciation to Dr. Michael L. Van Woert for his years of selfless service to this body.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'MTZL', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Maria T. Zuber  
Chair