

Resolution 2017-13. In Appreciation for Professor Dan Reichart's Service.

Whereas Professor Dan Reichart is an extraordinary teacher, who has inspired thousands of UNC undergraduates through his introductory astronomy courses;

Whereas he is a leader at involving students in the process of scientific discovery;

Whereas he is an accomplished scientist whose research has shed light on the mysteries of gamma-ray bursts, the largest explosions in the universe;

Whereas he has constructed a network of telescopes called PROMPT that combine laboratory teaching and fundamental research in unprecedented ways;

Whereas he is a cherished colleague who has directed Morehead Observatory, transformed the undergraduate astronomy curriculum, and raised the profile of UNC in the State, Nation, and the World;

Whereas he displayed extraordinary courage in attempting to protect the Davie Poplar, an irreplaceable campus landmark, and in so doing sustained serious injuries;

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that we commend his courage, thank him for his dedicated service to our university, and wish him a speedy recovery.

Submitted by Prof. Christopher Clemens.