

Resolution 2013-15. On Appreciation for the Service of Jackie Overton as Chair of the Employee Forum, 2010-13

Jackie Overton ('85, '89) was the 13th Chair of the Employee Forum and a Carolina alumna. She has been an employee of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill for thirty years in the Department of Public Safety and a member of the Carolina committee for almost 35 years.

Overton is known for her outgoing personality, humor, and inspirational speeches. In 2011 and 2012, Overton left an indelible mark with her riveting and emotional University Day addresses. In her daily work as Employee Forum Chair, she seamlessly played the roles of staff member, partner to the faculty and students, administrator, and advocate for the underprivileged. Among her many achievements, Overton will be remembered for helping to improve working conditions for the University's lowest paid workers in the Housekeeping Department.

In recognition of her service, Overton received the C. Knox Massey Award in 2012 and the Employee Forum's Unsung Heel Award. In 2013, the Forum gave her its inaugural Kay W. Hovious Award and honored her with lifetime delegate status. The faculty of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill joins our colleagues across the university in expressing grateful thanks for Jacquelyn Elaine Overton's tireless service, volunteerism, and commitment to creating partnerships between faculty, staff, and students.