

**A Resolution in Support of Chancellor Holden Thorp by the Council of Chairs,  
College of Arts and Sciences, UNC-Chapel Hill**

Whereas Chancellor Holden Thorp has provided extraordinary leadership to UNC-Chapel Hill through very difficult economic times;

Whereas he has set the university on an intellectually exciting course through his championing of innovation and entrepreneurship;

Whereas external grants have increased significantly during his brief tenure;

Whereas he has strongly affirmed and defended the academic mission of the university;

Whereas his integrity in handling the recent athletic and academic controversies has been exemplary; and

Whereas the General Faculty, at its meeting last week, unanimously passed a resolution supporting his actions in response to these controversies.

Therefore, be it resolved

that the Council of Chairs in the College of Arts and Sciences respectfully asks the Chancellor to reconsider his decision to resign; and

that we respectfully urge the UNC President, the Board of Trustees, and the Board of Governors to continue providing the support the Chancellor needs to remain in office.

[Passed by the Council of Chairs, College of Arts and Sciences, UNC-Chapel Hill, at its meeting on September 17, 2012.]