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Office of the President June 11, 2013

Members, Board of Trustees:

## APPOINTMENT OF PROVOST

<u>Recommendation</u>: that the Board of Trustees approve the appointment of Dr. Christine M. Riordan as Provost, effective before the start of the Fall Semester.

<u>Background</u>: In April 2012, Dr. Kumble Subbaswamy resigned as Provost to assume the position of Chancellor at the University of Massachusetts Amherst. President Capilouto announced Dean Tim Tracy of the College of Pharmacy would serve as Interim Provost until the position was filled. A search committee was appointed to conduct a national search and identify qualified persons for the position of Provost. The search committee considered a broad and deep pool of candidates, and three finalists were interviewed on campus by faculty, students, and staff.

Dr. Riordan currently serves as professor and dean of the Daniels College of Business at the University of Denver. She received a bachelor's degree (1987) from Georgia Institute of Technology, and a master's degree in business administration (1989) and doctoral degree in organizational behavior (1995) from Georgia State University.

Dr. Riordan has a national reputation as a leadership development and workplace diversity expert. Her research focuses on labor-force diversity issues, leadership development and effectiveness, and career success. Dr. Riordan consults regularly with corporations on strategic planning, leadership-development activities, diversity management and team performance. She also serves as a leadership coach for senior-level executives. She writes leadership articles for media such as *Huffington Post, CNBC, Wall Street Journal MarketWatch, CareerBuilder, Forbes, Politico*, and *Harvard Business Review*. She has also published 29 academic articles with over 2,200 citations of her research.

Action taken:	Approved Approved	Disapproved	Other
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