

***A Proclamation
of the President of The University of Georgia***

Whereas, Dr. Charles R. Gruner joined the University of Georgia faculty in the Department of Speech Communication in 1969 after serving on the faculties of St. Lawrence University and the University of Nebraska; and

Whereas, he holds two degrees from Southern Illinois University and a doctorate from The Ohio State University; and

Whereas, his major research interest is the use of wit and humor in communication; and

Whereas, he retired in 1997 after 42 years of teaching and service to the department, the Franklin College and the University of Georgia; and

Whereas, Dr. Gruner was named the first Parliamentarian for University Council, the faculty governance body at the University of Georgia, in 1978; and

Whereas, his service in this role has facilitated proper procedure, decorum and good governance; and

Whereas, he is respected and trusted by the members of the Council, the Chairs of the Executive Committee with whom he has served as well as University Presidents and senior administrators; and

Whereas, Dr. Gruner has performed an important and necessary function by serving in the critical role of Parliamentarian;

Now, Therefore, Be It Hereby Resolved that on this 23rd day of April, 2014, on behalf of the Students, Faculty, Staff, Administration and Alumni of The University of Georgia, I do hereby express the University's deep and abiding appreciation to Dr. Charles R. Gruner for his selfless and dedicated service to this University, and wish him well as he steps down from the role of Parliamentarian of University Council.

