

Resolution

Dr. Steven Paul Krakoff

WHEREAS Dr. Steven Paul Krakoff, Vice President for Capital Planning and Campus Operation of Bowling Green State University, passed away on October 16, 2017, after fighting squamous cell cancer;

WHEREAS Dr. Krakoff was born on October 25, 1955 to Corinne and Kenneth Krakoff of Toledo, Ohio, graduated from Whitmer High School in Toledo in 1973, received a bachelor's degree of Urban Planning from the University of Cincinnati in 1978, where he was a member of the Alpha Epsilon Pi Fraternity, and obtained his Master of Business Administration degree from The Ohio State University in 1983;

WHEREAS Dr. Krakoff, a life-long learner who was continuously expanding his knowledge and vision, having completed all coursework for his doctoral candidacy and worked diligently on his dissertation, was awarded the Doctor of Education in Leadership Studies degree, posthumously, at BGSU in 2017;

WHEREAS Dr. Krakoff worked at Hillenbrand Industries in Batesville, Indiana, as a Marketing Manager and then was employed by Mount Carmel Health in the 1980s and 1990s in a variety of positions including Vice President, Regional Development and Specialty Services, from 2000 to 2006 was employed by The Ohio State University Medical Center as Administrator, where he directed the development of the medical center master facility plan and the initial plans for important buildings, and later became chief executive of the former Medical Center of Newark in Newark, Ohio;

WHEREAS Dr. Krakoff was employed by Bowling Green State University in 2008 as an Associate Vice President, and was named Vice President for Capital Planning and Campus Operations in 2013, becoming a member of the President's Cabinet, in which position he led the planning and implementation of the largest building and renovation program in the history of Bowling Green State University;

WHEREAS in his highly respected capacity and with highly admired passion, Dr. Krakoff, while being particularly proud of his team's work and possessing a gift for seeing the possibilities, supervised numerous construction and renovation projects on the BGSU campus, including Wolfe Center for Performing Arts, Centennial Hall and Falcon Heights, the Oaks and Carillon Place, Michael & Sara Kuhlman Center (formerly South Hall), University Hall, Moseley Hall, the planned Robert W. and Patricia A. Maurer Center, Allied Health and Sciences Building on the Firelands campus, and others that have all been successfully turned from initial idea into great reality;

WHEREAS in Bowling Green, Dr. Krakoff was a devoted supporter to the well-being of the local community, evidenced by his regular collaboration with the City of Bowling Green, serving on the city's Steering Committee of Land Use Plan, Task Force for the Community Action Plan, East Wooster Corridor Improvements, committees on various projects, as well as giving a speech on the campus plan to the Design Committee of Downtown Bowling Green;

WHEREAS Dr. Krakoff also enthusiastically supported Bowling Green State University's curriculum activities, demonstrated by his close cooperation with the architecture program, giving lectures, planning course projects, and reviewing student designs;

WHEREAS Dr. Krakoff was committed to his family and was a person who loved and cared for others, was loved and admired by all who knew him, and never let the intensity of his professional duties and academic pursuits compromise the life of his family, regularly taking the two-hour trips to commute between work and home;

WHEREAS Dr. Krakoff is survived by his wife, Diane Krakoff, whom he married on June 16, 1990, daughters, Kathryn and Sarah Krakoff, mother, Corinne Krakoff, and brother, David Krakoff;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the faculty of Bowling Green State University through its constituent body, the Faculty Senate, acknowledge with sadness the death of Dr. Steven Krakoff and convey to his surviving family members BGSU faculty's deep appreciation and gratitude for Dr. Krakoff's outstanding and dedicated service to Bowling Green State University;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be recorded in the official minutes of the Faculty Senate and that formal copies, signed and attested to by the secretary, be sent to Dr. Krakoff's wife, Diane Krakoff, of Columbus, Ohio, and Dr. Krakoff's mother, Corinne Krakoff, of Toledo, Ohio, as a token of the faculty's deep appreciation and gratitude for Dr. Krakoff's long and invaluable service to the university, the community, and the profession.

April 3, 2018

David Border, Chair of the Faculty Senate

Robyn Miller, Secretary of the Faculty Senate