

Resolutions of the University at Buffalo Council

June 12, 2023

Brittany Murchie Mulla Sports Performance Center Naming

- Whereas* the Murchie family has long been dedicated to enhancing the experience of all students, demonstrating a strong commitment to higher education and the impact learning has on an individual's future; and
- whereas* the family recognizes the importance of providing robust amenities to student-athletes as they strive for success in both the classroom and in sport; and
- whereas* the Murchie family wishes to enhance the opportunities provided to the many student-athletes who represent the University at Buffalo; and
- whereas* the family desires to support the creation of a new strength and conditioning center to enhance the athletic skills of UB's student-athletes; be it therefore
- resolved* that in deep appreciation for the philanthropic commitment of the Murchie Family, the UB Council hereby endorses the naming of the Brittany Murchie Mulla Sports Performance Center; and be it further
- resolved* that this recognition be forwarded to the State University of New York System Administration for final review and approval by the SUNY Chancellor and the SUNY Board of Trustees; and be it further
- resolved* that this resolution be permanently entered into the records of the UB Council.

Marcus Yam Norton Medal

- Whereas* Mr. Marcus Yam, Los Angeles Times foreign correspondent and photographer, is a world-renowned photojournalist who travels the globe to tell important and compelling stories through the images he captures; and
- whereas* he has courageously covered natural disasters, terrorist attacks and volatile war zones in Afghanistan and Ukraine; and
- whereas* Mr. Yam has, time and again, received national and international recognition for documenting the frontlines of conflict and tragedy, as well as the everyday struggles of people around the world; and
- whereas* he discovered his passion for, and gained experience in, photography while an undergraduate engineering student at the University at Buffalo; and
- whereas* he serves as an inspiring example of the impact a UB education can have and the profound contributions our alumni are making in society; and
- whereas* the UB Council concurs that he embodies former UB Chancellor Charles P. Norton's characterization of an individual whose accomplishments "dignify the performer and Buffalo in the eyes of the world;" be it therefore
- resolved* that the UB Council wholeheartedly and unanimously recommends Mr. Marcus Yam for selection as the 2023 Chancellor Charles P. Norton Medalist; and be it further
- resolved* that the UB Council marks his permanent place of prominence in its endeavors and traditions by presenting to him the Chancellor Charles P. Norton Medal at the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences' Commencement Ceremony on May 20, 2023; and be it further
- resolved* that this resolution be permanently entered into the records of the UB Council, and that a copy be presented publicly to Mr. Yam.