

Resolutions of the University at Buffalo Council  
September 15, 2025

**Meherwan and Zarine Boyce Chair in Fluid Mechanics in the UB School of Engineering and Applied Sciences Naming**

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| Whereas  | the late Dr. Meherwan P. Boyce, MS '64, PhD, earned his master's degree in mechanical engineering from the University at Buffalo School of Engineering and Applied Sciences, which created the foundation for a distinguished career in engineering and education; and  |
| whereas  | Dr. Boyce, together with his wife, the late Ms. Zarine M. Boyce, held deep pride in the education he received at UB, which inspired his lifelong dedication to academic excellence and transformative leadership in the power-generation industry; and  |
| whereas  | in recognition of his outstanding achievements and contributions to the field, Dr. Boyce was honored with UB's Clifford C. Furnas Memorial Award for Outstanding Engineering Alumni in 2016; and  |
| whereas  | Dr. Boyce and Ms. Boyce co-founded globally influential consultancy firms that have played a pivotal role in advancing infrastructure development and privatization initiatives across emerging economies, establishing them as a visionary force in global engineering and economic progress; and                          |
| whereas  | after her husband's passing, Ms. Boyce remained committed to preserving and promoting the legacy of Dr. Boyce—a globally respected authority in aviation, power and petroleum engineering—ensuring that his pioneering contributions continue to inspire innovation and excellence for generations to come; be it therefore |
| resolved | that in deep appreciation for their support, the UB Council hereby endorses the naming of the Meherwan and Zarine Boyce Chair in Fluid Mechanics in the UB School of Engineering and Applied Sciences; 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.   |

## **Barry S. Willer, PhD, Chair in Psychiatric Research Naming**

- Whereas UBMD Psychiatry recognizes that attracting and retaining distinguished faculty is essential to the University at Buffalo's mission of delivering world-class education and pioneering research; and
- whereas UBMD Psychiatry seeks to honor Barry S. Willer, PhD—a visionary in brain injury research and a devoted member of the UB Department of Psychiatry—for his groundbreaking work in the diagnosis and treatment of sports-related concussions and traumatic brain injuries; and
- whereas Dr. Willer served as the director of research for UB's Concussion Management Clinic, where his leadership and innovative studies helped redefine standards of care and advanced the field of brain injury treatment; and
- whereas his influence extends across nearly every major brain injury organization worldwide, shaping best practices that remain foundational today, while his legacy is also marked by the lives he touched through mentorship, collaboration and compassionate care; be it therefore
- resolved that in deep appreciation for his dedication, the UB Council hereby endorses the naming of the Barry S. Willer, PhD, Chair in Psychiatric Research; 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.

### **Leonard Yee, DDS '85, Scholarship Naming**

- Whereas Dr. Leonard Yee, DDS '85, has been a dedicated and generous benefactor to the University at Buffalo School of Dental Medicine, actively supporting its mission and students through philanthropic engagement; and
- whereas following his graduation, Dr. Yee devoted his early career to serving underserved communities in New Jersey, later establishing a thriving private practice grounded in the exceptional education he received at UB; and
- whereas Dr. Yee is committed to advancing the future of dentistry by providing financial support to aspiring dental students, ensuring that the next generation of practitioners is empowered to succeed; and
- whereas he gratefully recognizes the world-class education and opportunities afforded him by the University at Buffalo, which laid the foundation for a fulfilling and impactful career; be it therefore
- resolved that in deep appreciation for his support, the UB Council hereby endorses the naming of the Leonard Yee, DDS '85, Scholarship; 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.

## **Honorable Henry H. Newlin, JD '75, Law Scholarship in the UB School of Law Naming**

- Whereas The late Honorable Henry H. Newlin, JD '75, received his juris doctorate degree from the University at Buffalo and went on to have a successful career as a lawyer, professor of law and judge; and
- whereas Dr. Nancy S. Newlin devoted her life to radiology, practicing in both major urban hospitals and small rural facilities; and
- whereas together they built flourishing careers and a life defined by adventure, mutual support and shared values as they moved across the country to pursue fulfilling careers in law and medicine, embrace change with enthusiasm, and dedicate themselves to philanthropy, fitness and lifelong learning; and
- whereas their journey reflects a deep belief that higher education is not only a foundation for personal growth but a legacy worth investing in for future generations; be it therefore
- resolved that in deep appreciation for their support, the UB Council hereby endorses the naming of the Honorable Henry H. Newlin, JD '75, Law Scholarship in the UB School of Law; 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.