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To: University Faculty Senate
RE: Emeritus Status – Dr. Nadene Davidson

Dr. Nadene Davidson came to the university as a temporary instructor teaching family consumer science in the Department of Teaching at Malcolm Price Lab School in 1981. In 1986 she was hired on a tenure-track line and received tenure in 1995. She received her Ed.D. from the University of Northern Iowa in 2007 in Educational Leadership. In 2015 she achieved Associate Professor rank. She has been a valued member of the Department of Teaching at Malcolm Price Lab School, where she served as a family consumer science instructor, Middle School Coordinator, and Interim Director. She served as the Department Head of the Department of Teaching from 2001-2004. Then she taught Health Promotion and Education in the College of Education from 2004-2007. She served as the Interim Head of the Department of Teaching from 2007-2012. She has taught Human Relations for the Department of Teaching from 2012 to her retirement.

She has been recognized by a variety of honors and awards. To name a few: Ross A Nielsen Professional Service Award (2020); the College of Education Outstanding Teaching Award (1998); National Board Certification (2001); Teacher of the Year by the Iowa Home Economics Association (1998).

Throughout her career she has served on numerous national, state and university committees and following are but a few. She served on the Board of Directors for the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (AACTE), the president of the Advisory Council of State Representatives of AACTE, the president, a member of the advisory board, and treasurer of the Iowa Association of Colleges for Teacher Education. For the university Dr. Davidson has served on over 30 committees. Most notably she has served on the College of Education Strategic Planning Committee, the College of Education Senate chair, the Liberal Arts Core Committee, UNI Facilities committee and the Teacher Education Senate. In addition, she served on a three million-dollar Teacher Quality Grant through the Department of Education. Considering her contributions to the profession, the community and university spanning her 41 years at UNI. She more than fulfills the expectations for emeritus status!

Respectfully,



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