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To: Faculty Senate
From: Department of Technology
Date: March 23, 2020
Subject: Emeritus Support Letter

This letter is from the Department of Technology in support of Dr. Doug Hotek's request for emeritus status.

Dr Ali Kashef says this about Doug's career. Doug is a meticulous colleague who has a positive attitude towards education and is very decisive in his quest for academic growth. He was trustworthy and professional. He has demonstrated high proficiency in his knowledge and skills. He did a great job to keep the labs clean and organize. His expertise and passion have led the Technology education program to make great improvements to serve the teachers in Iowa.

Dr. P.N. Rao indicated "He was instrumental in starting the Project Lead the Way (PLTW) teaching in the department which is part of the STEM teaching. He is the lead author of a refereed paper at the Historic 100th Mississippi Valley Technology Teacher Education Conference. Rosemont, IL. November 11-12, 2013. Hotek, D. R. and Greenhalgh, D. S. (2013). Integrative k-12 STEM education: Fact or fantasy? A Publication of the Papers Presented At the Historic 100th Mississippi Valley Technology Teacher Education Conference. Rosemont, IL. November 11-12, 2013".

Dr. Nilmani Pramanik indicated that "Doug played a vital role in the process of changing our department's name from the Dept of Industrial Technology to Department of Technology. In 2008, Doug along with Dr. Pecen, submitted a white paper to the faculty of our department justifying changing the name of our department".

Dr. Hotek has been an advocate for the Technology & Engineering Education program since his arrival at UNI. He worked for grants and UNI funding to create a teaching lab that students could learn curriculum management, safety and a dedication to the teaching profession. Doug worked across the state of Iowa to connect teachers to one another and UNI to support the field of Industrial Technology teachers.