

April 19, 2018

UNI Faculty Senate

Dr. Michael Walter, Chair

Re: Request for Emeritus Status for Dr. Robert Washut

Dear Dr. Walter and Faculty Senators,

I am writing in support of Dr. Robert Washut's request for emeritus faculty status following his retirement from UNI this spring.

Dr. Washut has been instrumental in the development of the jazz program at UNI to its current status as one of the premier jazz programs in the country. He is well known as a composer, arranger, performer, and pedagogue in the jazz world. In addition, he has been a member of our music theory faculty and a real leader in that area. Dr. Washut's contributions have left a lasting legacy to the School of Music at UNI, and I have no doubt that he will continue to contribute as an emeritus faculty member for years to come.

Please feel free to contact me should you require additional information.

Sincerely,

Julia Byllard

Professor of Music and Associate Director for Graduate Studies