January 29, 2015

To: Maria Anguiano
Vice Chancellor for Planning and Budget

From: Jose Wudka, Chair
Riverside Division

Re: Review of the Proposal to Establish the Wilbur W. Mayhew Endowed Chair in Geo-Ecology

During its January 26 meeting Executive Council reviewed the proposal to create the W. Mayhew Endowed Chair in Geo-Ecology. A majority of Executive Council voted to approve the proposal (+14-2-4).
June 12, 2014

To: Jose Wudka, Chair, UCR Academic Senate

From: Maria Anguiano, Vice Chancellor for Planning & Budget

Subject: Wilbur W. Mayhew Endowed Chair in Geo-Ecology; for review by the UCR Academic Senate

As Chair Designee of the UCR Committee on Naming Campus Properties, Programs, and Facilities, I am requesting the review and approval by the Academic Senate Executive Council for the Wilbur W. Mayhew Endowed Chair in Geo-Ecology.

This chair has been recommended by Dean, College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences, Marylynn V. Yates.

Please review the attached requests, gift agreements and summarized details. This proposed name needs approval by the Academic Senate before it is endorsed by the Campus Naming Committee.

We would appreciate a response with the Academic Senate Executive Council’s recommendation as soon as possible, preferably within two weeks.

Thank you.
INITIAL REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO NAME/ESTABLISH AN ENDOWED CHAIR

This form is to help review gifts for compliance with academic plans and priorities, and to facilitate campus review procedures for namings.

Upon completion of this request form, the Dean/Unit Head forwards it for signature to the Associate Vice Chancellor for Development and Vice Chancellor for University Advancement. The Request, with draft gift agreement and supporting documentation, is then submitted to the Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Planning & budget for campus review. If approved for recommendation, the EVC&P’s office follows the appropriate procedure for Endowed Chairs.

I. Background Information
   A. Submitted by:
      Name: Marylynn V. Yates
      Title, College/Unit: Dean, College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences
   B. Type of Gift and Comments:
      ▶ Endowed Chair/Distinguished Professorship: Endowed Chair
      ▶ Location of FTE: College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences
   C. Proposed name (if any, involving gift): Wilbur W. Mayhew Endowed Chair in Geo-Ecology
   D. Honorary naming (no gift involved): 
   E. Proposed use(s): To advance the mission of the college

II. Academic Information: (please attach explanation)
   A. Academic Justification: Explain how the proposed gift or endowment fits into the college/Unit’s Academic Plan.

   The College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences, in accordance with UCR policy, will establish the Wilbur W. Mayhew Chair in Geo-Ecology to further instruction and research in the multiple foci in the College of ecosystem and environmental sciences on a global scale. The chair position will be associated with the emerging Institute for Environmental Dynamics and Geo-Ecology that was presented to the Chancellor’s Budget Advisory Committee in March, 2013.

   The college has extraordinary achievements and long term goals in this field of study, along with numerous scholars/teachers widely respected for their professional accomplishments in the cross-disciplinary areas including but not limited to global change (Earth Sciences), Conservation Biology, modern climate change analysis and prediction, and water studies. Our agriculture strength and heritage brings a unique perspective and expertise to bear on this field of study.

   B. Resources: Describe the resources that will be necessary to support the proposed Chair (e.g., FTE and other funding). Please refer to the College/Unit Academic Plan as appropriate.
No additional resources are needed. This is an existing FTE in the college. Distribution from the endowed fund will be available to the chair holder in support of his/her teaching, research, and service activities according to a budget recommended and approved annually by the dean. The chair endowment will be administered in accordance with the UCR Policy and Procedures on Endowed Chairs; Administration, and Appointment of Faculty. The total return earned by the endowment in excess of the amount approved annually for spending will be returned to the Fund’s principal to help it grow. Unused distribution from a previous year may be combined with that of the current year for spending purposes or added to the Fund’s principal.

III. Contribution Information:
A. Total amount of private funds expected to be committed (or being discussed): $1,500,000 from a single donor couple.
   Form of private contribution(s):
   X Outright Gift (Date: _______)
   □ Written Pledge (Expected Beginning Date: ___________ Fulfillment Date: ___________)
B. Initial contribution/pledge payment expected $1,500,000 by (date) 12/31/2013
C. Source(s) of private contributions:
   Donor(s): Anonymous
   Amounts: $1,500,000
D. Will this gift/pledge be anonymous, without publicity? X Yes □ No

IV. College/UCR/UC Commitment:
A. Will any additional college, campus-wide or system-wide resources be sought/required (e.g., space, special facilities, equipment, etc.)? How will they be funded? No additional resources required.
B. If Endowed Chair or Professorship, is this a New FTE X Existing FTE?
   If new, please give reference to your Academic Plan.

V. College/Unit/Faculty/Academic Senate Consultation
This naming has been reviewed by and received approval from the Associate Deans and Department Chairs/faculty of the College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences affected by the named chair.

Submitted by:

Mary Lynn V. Yates, Dean
College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences

Hieu P. Nguyen
Associate Vice Chancellor, Development

Peter A. Hayashida, Vice Chancellor, University Advancement

Date 4/25/11

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I. INTRODUCTION

The donors have given the UC Riverside Foundation a California non-profit corporation, with the conditions and purposes contained in this document, $1,500,000 ("Gift Funds") to establish the Wilbur W. Mayhew Endowed Chair Fund in Geo-Ecology ("Fund").

BACKGROUND

The donors share a lifelong dedication to preserving and celebrating the earth's natural resources. Over the years they have generously supported the Nature Conservancy California Program, the Sweeney Granite Mountains Desert Research Center, and the UCR Natural Reserve System. It was Wilbur Mayhew at UC Riverside, and his colleague Ken Norris at UCLA who, in the 1950's, were the driving forces behind creation of the Natural Reserve System, thus providing generations of scientists and students vast tracts of unspoiled natural resources for field studies. Now, with the world facing global environmental change and crises, the College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences is spearheading centers and institutes dedicated to cross-disciplinary studies in Geo-Ecology. The donors believe that honoring Wilbur Mayhew's pioneering work by naming a Chair for him will serve to attract and recruit world-class scientists in the broad area of geo-ecology.

II. ESTABLISHMENT OF FUND

This fund shall be established when:

A. This agreement has been reviewed, signed and dated by the Donors and an appropriate university official and has been fully funded. A check in the amount of $1,500,000 was delivered in person by the donors on December 2, 2013, to fund this endowment.

B. Subject to approval through the appropriate policy and procedures of the University of California, Riverside, and the Regents of the University of California, and pending receipt of funds equivalent to minimum requirement for endowed chairs, the Chair will be named the Wilbur W. Mayhew Chair in Geo-Ecology.

C. Additions to the Fund can be made at any time.
III. PURPOSE AND USE OF ENDOIMENT

A. General Purpose

The expendable distribution from this endowment will provide support for an endowed chair in Geo-Ecology under the direction of the Dean of the College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences in accordance with established University policies and procedures.

The establishment of the Endowment will comply with current policies of the UC Regents and the University of California Riverside Foundation. If, in the judgment of the Chancellor of UC Riverside, the designated use of endowment payout is impractical or impossible, then the Chancellor may, in consultation with the Donors when possible, use endowment payout for such other purposes at the University of California, Riverside as s/he determines to be consistent with the Donors’ interests and intentions.

IV. ADMINISTRATION OF FUND

A. The chair endowments will be administered in accordance with the UCR Policies and Procedures on Endowed Chairs: Establishment, Administration and Appointment of Faculty.

B. The Fund’s expendable distribution will be determined periodically under the terms of the Endowment Expenditures Policy as established by the UC Riverside Foundation.

C. Payout from the chair endowment will be transferred to The Regents, to be made available to the chair holder, in support of teaching and research, under the direction of the Dean of the College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences in accordance with University policy.

D. Total return earned by the Fund in excess of the amount approved for distribution will be retained in the Fund principal to protect the Fund from the effects of inflation and to allow for growth. Any unexpended distribution from the previous year may be combined with that of the current year for spending purposes or added to the Fund principal.

E. The principal of the Fund may be combined with other Funds for investment purposes. Fiduciary responsibility for governance and investment of this endowment is vested in the UC Riverside foundation Board of Trustees.

F. As is customary with universities and other non-profit organizations across the country, a one-time gift fee is applied to each gift in order to provide essential support to UCR’s advancement program. We understand that the fee is currently 5%. In addition, administrative fees will be changed in accordance with UCR policy.
V. STEWARDSHIP

An endowed fund is testament to the value the Donors place on intellectual and scientific achievement. During their lifetime, Donors will receive periodic stewardship reports from the University on the Fund.

The Donors agree that this fund may be used in University communications.

No public identification or acknowledgment shall be made of the Donors' gift, which uses Donors' actual names, whether identification is in print or electronically. Donors' actual names shall be confidential and disclosed only to: the UCR Chancellor; the Vice Chancellor, University Advancement, the Associate Vice Chancellor of Development, and their successors, upon their assumption of office. Disclosure may be made to other UCR employees only to the extent needed for the proper administration of the Fund and then only under advice of the confidentiality of the Donors' actual names.

ACCEPTANCES:

[Signatures and dates]

Marylynn V. Yates, Dean of the College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences

Dallas L. Rabenstein, Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost, UC Riverside

Zackary A. Smith, Ph.D.
Interim Associate Vice Chancellor of Development

[Signatures and dates]
April 23, 2014

Mr. Hieu T. Nguyen  
Associate Vice Chancellor, Development  
University of California, Riverside  
1100 Hinderaker Hall  
Riverside, CA 92521

Dear Mr. Nguyen,

I write to attest to the professional experience, character, and reputation of the anonymous donors who wish to make a gift to establish the “Wilbur W. Mayhew Endowed Chair in Geo-Ecology.” The donors wish to remain anonymous.

I have worked with these donors directly in cultivating and soliciting this gift. I can attest that the donors’ professional and academic experience is exemplary and the couple’s character is reputable. I believe naming the chair in accordance with the donors’ wishes fits with the University of California’s, and UC Riverside’s, standard for naming approval.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact my office at (951) 827-4799.

Sincerely,

Marylynn V. Yates  
Dean