

RECOGNITION OF ACADEMICAL VILLAGE AS UNIVERSITY FACILITY

WHEREAS, the Academical Village – defined as that property bounded by the Rotunda to the north, Hospital Drive to the east, McCormick Road to the west, and, for purposes of this Resolution, as including the South Lawn/Homer Flat to the south (thereby including the Rotunda, Lawn and Range rooms, hotels, gardens and pavilions) makes up Thomas Jefferson’s original plan for the University, envisioned as a school with students and professors living together in a holistic learning environment; and

WHEREAS, as the physical and spiritual core of this institution, the Academical Village remains integral to the University’s mission as it prepares to enter its third century; and

WHEREAS, befitting its importance to the Commonwealth, the nation, and the world, the Academical Village has been recognized in the Virginia State Register of Historic Places and National Register of Historic Places and has been designated a UNESCO World Heritage site; and

WHEREAS, the University has long been a thoughtful and careful steward of the Academical Village; and

WHEREAS, University Policy SEC-030 and University Regulations (8 Virginia Administrative Code 85-20) prohibit the possession, storage, or use of any weapon, firework or other explosive, or any lethal combustible chemical or combination of chemicals, by the general public or visitors, except by a law-enforcement officer, on university property in academic, administrative, athletic, entertainment, or student residence buildings, child care or dining facilities, or the University Medical Center, or while attending sporting, entertainment, or educational activities;

RESOLVED, in recognition of the Academical Village’s critical importance and consistent with its multi-purpose residential, academic, and administrative use, the Board of Visitors declares its intent that the Academical Village be recognized formally as a University facility encompassing a controlled outdoor area, subject to University policy and regulation; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, the Board directs and authorizes the Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer to propose appropriate policies and regulations including the Academical Village as a University facility within the scope of the University’s policies and regulations.