

**APPOINTMENT OF GERALD I. LAMKIN AS PRESIDENT EMERITUS OF
IVY TECH COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF INDIANA**

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2007-38

WHEREAS, Gerald I. Lamkin retires as the President of Ivy Tech Community College of Indiana on June 30, 2007, and this meeting of the State Board of Trustees is Mr. Lamkin's final one as the College's President, and

WHEREAS, President Lamkin's service to the College spans nearly 40 years in a career that began as a part-time instructor, continued with roles with ever-increasing responsibility, and culminated in late 1982 with his selection as President of the College, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lamkin's leadership and vision over nearly 25 years as President took the College from near obscurity within Indiana's higher education system to a position of equal among equals and made Ivy Tech an institution viewed as critical to meeting the state's economic development and educational goals, and

WHEREAS, President Lamkin convinced state officials that Ivy Tech should be designated as Indiana's community college system and has been rightfully labeled by Governor Mitchell E. Daniels as "the father of Indiana's community college system," and

WHEREAS, President Lamkin's insistence on putting students first and serving communities with needs brought Ivy Tech the support needed for phenomenal improvements in the College's physical facilities, now easily the best Ivy Tech has ever enjoyed, and

WHEREAS, President Lamkin led the College to record enrollments, vastly expanded programmatic offerings, increased credit and degree transfer opportunities, vastly improved libraries, a first-time-ever College-wide accreditation and re-accreditation, and a quantum improvement in faculty and administration quality, and


WHEREAS, in his dual role as President of Ivy Tech Foundation, President Lamkin provided the leadership and vision that brought the Foundation to record levels of giving, record endowments, record levels of support for the College and its faculty, staff and students, and an unparalleled record of Foundation service in assisting the College in advancing its interests;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the State Board of Trustees of Ivy Tech Community College of Indiana that the Board applauds President Lamkin for serving so well for so long, celebrates his enormous accomplishments, and – although the words fall far short of being adequate – thanks him on behalf of the Ivy Tech family for exemplary service to the College, and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, the title of President Emeritus is hereby conferred upon Gerald I. Lamkin, effective July 1, 2007.

**State Trustees
Ivy Tech Community College of Indiana**


William R. Goins, Chairman


Marvin E. Foote, Secretary

Dated June 14, 2007