

ITEM 152-2004-R0911

**Authorization to Confer the Title of Associate Professor Emeritus of Civil Engineering on Robert Oakberg;
Montana State University-Bozeman**

THAT

Upon the occasion of the retirement of Robert Oakberg from Montana State University, the Board of Regents wishes to express its appreciation for his service to the University, the Montana University System and the people of the State of Montana.

EXPLANATION

Professor Robert Oakberg retired in 2011, completing 35 years of remarkable service as Assistant and Associate Professor in the Civil Engineering department at Montana State University. Dr. Oakberg earned a BS in Civil Engineering from Stanford University in 1962. He added a MS in 1963 and a PhD in 1967, also from Stanford University. In 1976, he joined the faculty of the Department of Civil Engineering & Engineering Mechanics at MSU as an Assistant Professor. He was later tenured and promoted to Associate Professor. He served as Interim Department Head for the 1995/96 Academic Year. In 2000, he became the MSU Athletic Department Faculty Representative and served the University in that role until his retirement in 2011.

Dr. Oakberg's expertise is in the field of engineering mechanics. His contributions include the early development of the snow and ice mechanics research program at MSU, a program that has brought the University national and international acclaim.

For these and other contributions, the Board of Regents of Higher Education is pleased to confer upon Dr. Robert Oakberg the rank of Associate Professor Emeritus of Civil Engineering at Montana State University, and wishes him well for many years in the future.

ATTACHMENTS

No attachments