

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

UDC Resolution 2013-12

SUBJECT: Conferral of Honorary Degree upon Colbert I. King, Columnist and Former Editor, *The Washington Post*

WHEREAS, pursuant to D.C. Code §38-1202.06(3), the Board of Trustees has authority to award degrees and to establish policy with respect to the award of degrees; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 8 DCMR §315.2, the President, upon consultation with the Faculty Senate, has recommended that Colbert I. King be awarded an honorary degree based on his more than 20 years of exceptional and thought-provoking columns and opinion pieces covering a range of human issues, from local to international matters, for which he was awarded the Pulitzer Prize in 2003 for outstanding newspaper commentary, and in recognition of his 30 years of public service before beginning his journalism career—including serving in the military, as well as federal, state, and local governments, and his critical role in helping to craft the "Washington Home Rule" legislation that eventually accomplished the transfer of power to an elected District government—and for being an advocate for the District of Columbia's community, particularly the poor and most at-risk citizenry; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 8 DCMR §315.3, the Board of Trustees must approve the recommendation of Colbert I. King by an affirmative vote of three-fourths (¾) of the members present at the meeting of the Board following the meeting at which the recommendation was made;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the University of the District of Columbia hereby approves the recommendation of the awarding of the degree of Doctor of Humane Letters, with all the honors, privileges, and duties pertaining thereto.

Submitted by the Academic Affairs Committee

April 9, 2013

Approved by the Board of Trustees:

April 17, 2013



Elaine A. Crider
Chairperson of the Board