BOARD OF TRUSTEES

UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

UDC Resolution 2013-10

SUBJECT: Conferral of Honorary Degree upon Mary Frances Berry, Geraldine R. Segal Professor of American Social Thought, Professor of History, University of Pennsylvania

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 Mary Frances Berry be awarded an honorary degree based on her outstanding leadership, unwavering dedication, and accomplishments as a teacher, scholar, and public servant, and for her advocacy for justice and the civil rights of all people, particularly those most often victimized and underserved, particularly during the twenty-four years spent as a member of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, and for which she has been recognized with over thirty-five honorary doctoral degrees and many other awards, including the NAACP’s Roy Wilkins Award and the Rosa Parks Award of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 8 DCMR §315.3, the Board of Trustees must approve the recommendation of Mary Frances Berry by an affirmative vote of three-fourths (%) 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 Laws, 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