

Proclamation Concerning the Class of '69 Legacy Campaign

Whereas the Class of 1969 is among the most active and supportive alumni classes of Texas A&M University, whose members have been involved with or provided leadership in many associated alumni organizations, corporations, the military, and public service; whose members have donated more than \$12 million to Texas A&M; and

Whereas in 2007 the Class of '69 initiated a memorial flag program through the purchase of Texas A&M Class of '69 flags that are given in memoriam to families of deceased classmates; and

Whereas in 2009, the Class of '69 dedicated a monument on the Texas A&M campus honoring classmates who died in service to the United States during the Vietnam War era; and

Whereas in 2009, the Class of '69, wishing to establish further legacy gifts to Texas A&M, created the Legacy Campaign with the goal of raising \$690,000 by 2019, but exceeded that goal by contributing \$772,000; and

Whereas in 2014, the Class of '69 identified a traditions plaza, refurbishment of the bugle stand, a Fish Camp endowment, an Aggie ring endowment, and an Opportunity Award endowment as its desired legacy gifts; and

Whereas the class of '69 created a \$125,000 endowment to offset camp registration fees for Texas A&M's Fish Camp Crew members; and

Whereas the Class of '69 contributed \$45,000 to create a bugle stand plaza in the Corps quadrangle and to refurbish the Edwin O'Brien Bellinger bugle stand that was dedicated in 2017; and

Whereas the Class of '69 contributed \$530,000 to the establishment of the Spirit Plaza on the Texas A&M University campus, for the first time providing a single space on the campus that honors the essence of what it means to be a Texas Aggie, and that will teach future generations of students and visitors about those traditions most dear to all Aggies; and

Whereas the Class of '69 established relationships with the Classes of '91 and '95 that allowed the relocation of their Silver Taps and Muster monuments to the Spirit Plaza and which led to a \$15,000 contribution to assist with that relocation; and

Whereas the Class of '69 partnered with the Class of '72 that contributed \$50,000 to help fund the creation of a monument commemorating a letter Donald Coward '72 had written to his parents in 1968 and which has served since 2000 to teach incoming freshmen at Fish Camp about Silver Taps; and

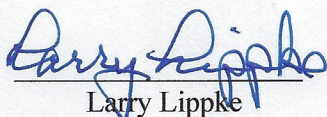
Whereas the Class of '69 has endowed Opportunity Award and Sul Ross scholarships and has funds available to endow multiple additional Ring and Opportunity Award scholarships in 2019; be it hereby

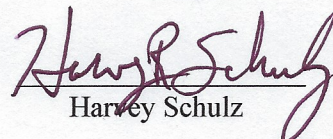
Proclaimed by the Class of '69 Agents that the Class of '69 Legacy Campaign has been a resounding success, having achieved or exceeded all the goals set out at its reunions in 2009 and 2014; and be it further

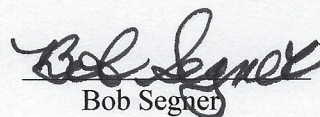
Proclaimed that any remaining balance in the Class of '69 Legacy Trust together with any future contributions to it shall be dedicated to endowing scholarships as identified by the class agents after consultation with the class council, or toward the purchase of additional memorial flags; and be it finally

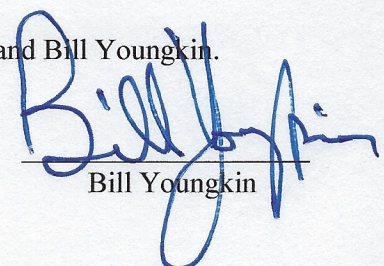
Proclaimed that effective today, April 24, 2019, the Legacy Campaign is ended.

Signed this day, April 24, 2019, by class agents Larry Lippke, Harvey Schulz, Bob Segner, and Bill Youngkin.


Larry Lippke


Harvey Schulz


Bob Segner


Bill Youngkin