



UTAH VALLEY UNIVERSITY

OFFICE of ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

January 29, 2010

Board of Trustees
Utah Valley University

Dear Members of the Board of Trustees:

It is with considerable enthusiasm that I write to support the nomination of Charles (Chuck) Allison for the Board of Trustees' Award of Excellence. As Dean Carey has outlined, and Mr. Allison's materials support, Chuck is a teacher and scholar who is respected by his colleagues at UVU and across the nation and world. He is a professor students seek out while at UVU and who stay in touch with him as they move on to successful careers. His faculty credentials are solid and impressive.

My experience is more directly with the service roles Chuck has played at UVU and particularly last year and this year as he has served as Faculty Senate President. In my 35 years of higher education, I have had the privilege to work with many good faculty leaders, but none as good as Mr. Allison. Chuck is a faculty advocate, as his role requires. He shows respect for all of his colleagues and presents the faculty perspective to administration clearly, but in a collegial way. The end result of Chuck's style and hard work is that UVU is quickly becoming a university in the true sense of the word.

I highly recommend Mr. Chuck Allison for this year's Trustees' Award of Excellence. His contributions to UVU over the years and in his most recent service roles are deserving of this prestigious recognition.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Elizabeth J. Hitch', written over a horizontal line.

Elizabeth J. Hitch
Vice-President of Academic Affairs

cc: Ernie Carey, Dean, College of Technology and Computing