

Corporation for National and Community Service
Board of Directors

Resolution

WHEREAS, Nicola Goren served with dedication and distinction between 1998 and 2010 in the mission-critical roles of Associate General Counsel, Chief of Staff, and Acting Chief Executive Officer for the Corporation for National and Community Service; and

WHEREAS, Nicola Goren provided key legal support for the success of significant improvements in the AmeriCorps State and National program through a comprehensive rulemaking process completed in 2005; and

WHEREAS, during a lengthy period of transition between Administrations, Nicola Goren served as a highly effective champion of national service, leading the agency as Acting Chief Executive Officer and working in close and effective collaboration with the Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, during Nicola Goren's tenure as Acting CEO, the Corporation experienced historic expansion and unprecedented enthusiasm and support for national service, including the largest budget increase in the history of the agency, the most attended and successful national service conference, a record-setting number of volunteers on the 2009 Martin Luther King, Jr., Day of Service, the launch of Serve.gov and United We Serve, and the first official September 11th National Day of Service; and

WHEREAS, as Acting CEO, Nicola Goren provided essential leadership in strengthening internal operations at the Corporation, including supporting important improvements to the agency's information technology infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, Nicola Goren led the successful and swift implementation of the 2009 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, resulting in, as of this date, more than 13,000 AmeriCorps members providing vital services to help address the national economic crisis, including leveraging more than 400,000 volunteers to serve more than 2.9 million clients, providing skills training to more than 84,900 people, placing more than 7,700 people in jobs, and generating more than \$41.5 million in resources for nonprofits;

WHEREAS, Nicola Goren effectively led the Corporation through the passage and initial implementation of the landmark, bipartisan-supported Edward M. Kennedy Serve America Act, dramatically expanding existing programs, focusing service on critical national issues, standing up new initiatives to increase service opportunities, and establishing the Corporation as a leader in supporting social innovation; and

WHEREAS, Nicola Goren's admirable work ethic, positive attitude, and passionate commitment to the excellence of the Corporation and its programs has set a new standard for a culture of high performance at the Corporation;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, this 12th day of May, that the Board of Directors for the Corporation for National and Community Service expresses its deep appreciation and affection for Nicola Goren's invaluable leadership and tireless efforts to strengthen and expand national and community service, and wishes her well in her new position as President of the Washington Area Women's Foundation.

Approved by notational ballot, May 12, 2010