## Chancellor,

I have the pleasure of presenting Professor David Young, who has been awarded the honorary title of Emeritus Professor.

Professor Young commenced his tertiary education at the University of Queensland, where following undergraduate and postgraduate studies he obtained his PhD in March 1986.

This marked the beginning of a long and prosperous academic career in chemistry, beginning with postdoctoral research training with the University College of North Wales and the University of Oxford.

In the following decades, Professor Young held numerous teaching and leadership positions in Australia including at the University of Sydney, Queensland University of Technology, Griffith University, and at University of the Sunshine Coast.

Professor Young also served in leadership positions internationally at the National University of Singapore, at Brunei's Universiti Brunei Darussalam, and at Monash University Malaysia.

In 2018 Professor Young began his journey at Charles Darwin University. He was the inaugural Dean of the former College of Engineering, Information Technology and Environment, and remained as Pro Vice-Chancellor when it transitioned into the

Faculty of Engineering, Information Technology and the Environment. Professor Young led a total 180 staff, 2,300 full-time students, and revenue of \$57 million, alongside two research institutes and the three research centres within them.

Professor Young made significant contributions to this area of the University, overseeing three restructures of the Faculty and bringing it to a healthy financial state, increasing internship opportunities for students, and increasing inclusion and diversity within the Faculty's staff and students.

He was also the only Dean to teach undergraduate courses during his tenure at the University.

In 2020 Professor Young was appointed Director of the Charles Darwin University Confucius Institute, leading eight staff to deliver Chinese and language culture classes to 2,400 school and adult learners across the Northern Territory.

Professor Young continued his research efforts, publishing significant research in Q1 journals and earning two national research medals by the Royal Australian Chemical Institute.

Professor Young ended his esteemed time at Charles Darwin University in 2023 to join the University of Glasgow.

Chancellor,

In recognition of his contribution to the field of chemistry and to education, Charles Darwin University council awards Professor David Young the title of Emeritus Professor.