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To: Jay Akridge
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Diversity

From: Nancy Marchand-Martella^{NMM}
Dean, College of Education

Date: January 26, 2021

Subject: Mary Endres Chair in Elementary Education
in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction

I am writing to seek your approval of our appointment of Professor Signe Kastberg as the Mary Endres Chair in Elementary Education in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction. This is the second opportunity for our college to appoint the Mary Endres Chair. Based on the unanimous recommendation of the Review Team to name the Mary Endres Chair through an internal search, I am pleased to forward my unequivocal support of the naming of Professor Signe Kastberg as Endres Chair.

Professor Kastberg's cumulative work demonstrates the qualities necessary to perform at the highest level in the elementary teacher education program with focus on math education. She publishes in top tier journals, has multiple internal and external teaching awards, and showcases the best of who we are as a land grant institution through her strong, on-going engagement with local schools. Her work is held in high regard and has been published multiple times in the top journal in mathematics education (i.e., *Journal for Research in Mathematics Education*) and in six of the top ten journals in mathematics education. In addition, her work has garnered invitations to present at national and international conferences including the London Institute of Education. A key strength of Professor Kastberg's work is the coherence across Discovery, Learning, and Engagement as it relates to elementary education.

Professor Kastberg is a conscientious scholar and faculty member whose research has focused on the mathematical knowledge of preservice elementary teachers. Professor Kastberg is active in service to the College as evidenced by her consistent participation on program, department, and college committees. She is well respected by her colleagues in the College.

Professor Kastberg has demonstrated leadership in learning by the mentoring and training she has conducted. She works with many school districts mentoring and training K-12 teachers through various professional development workshops and short courses. She is an excellent teacher who has received almost all available University/College awards for teaching, including



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the highly competitive Murphy Award for Undergraduate Teaching. Her teaching efforts have been recognized by the Association of Mathematics Teacher Educators (AMTE) with its Excellence in Teaching award, and she was recently named a Purdue University Teaching for Tomorrow Fellow.

Without reservation, I recommend Professor Signe Kastberg to serve as the next Mary Endres Chair in Elementary Education. Her outstanding reputation, record of accomplishment, and service to the College and community will assist us in filling a critical need for continued discovery, learning, and engagement opportunities in elementary education.

Thank you for your consideration of this nomination.

Approval Recommended:

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Jay Akridge
Provost & Executive Vice President
for Academic Affairs and Diversity

2/11/22

Date

Approved:

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Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr.
President

3/8/22

Date