Resolution from the PRIM&R Board of Directors to Susie Hoffman, RN, BSN, CIP

Whereas Ms. Hoffman is the effective and admired director of the biomedical institutional review board (IRB) at the University of Virginia (UVA) in Charlottesville.

Whereas Ms. Hoffman manages UVA’s educational program for IRB members, research investigators, and study coordinators.

Whereas Ms. Hoffman’s office developed an extensive IRB website, a sophisticated web database, a system for the online submission of adverse event reports, and is currently implementing an online submission program for protocols; and

Whereas Ms Hoffman was the Applied Research Ethics National Association’s (ARENA) twenty-first president in 2006; and

Whereas Ms. Hoffman oversaw membership growth from 2,180 to 2,767 members in 2006, a 27% increase from the previous year; and

Whereas Ms. Hoffman oversaw the abstract session at the ARENA national meeting, ensuring its continued success; and

Whereas Ms. Hoffman courageously and selflessly presided over the reorganization of PRIM&R’s membership organization, resulting in the retirement of the ARENA name, an important step in the advancement of the membership infrastructure; and

Whereas Ms. Hoffman serves on PRIM&R’s Membership Committee, participates in the planning of PRIM&R’s annual human subjects conference and serves as a valued faculty member of these conferences; and

Whereas Ms. Hoffman recently chaired a major restructuring of PRIM&R’s Regional Connections program and that restructuring has already begun to bear fruit; and

Whereas Ms. Hoffman shared memories of her ARENA service by submitting the following note… “I am proud that the reorganization of PRIM&R/ARENA was completed during my year of service. I feel strongly that the reorganization strengthens the organizational structure. PRIM&R has provided me with an amazing network of colleagues who provide constant support and information in my daily work. The best part is that many of these colleagues have become true friends – for which I will be forever grateful;”

Therefore be it resolved that the PRIM&R Board of Directors, staff, and the wider PRIM&R community, on this third day of December, 2011, do hereby convey their heartfelt appreciation and boundless gratitude to Ms. Hoffman for her long, loyal, and distinguished service to both ARENA and PRIM&R.