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## RETIREMENT OF JOHN J. MERRICK, JR. RAYMOND A. MASON SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

John J. Merrick, Jr. joined the faculty of William & Mary's Raymond A. Mason School of Business in 2005 as the Richard S. Reynolds Associate Professor of Business (2005-2011 and 2012-2021). He was named the Thomas L. Owen Professor of Business in 2021. Professor Merrick earned his Ph.D. and M.A. from Brown University in Economics. He earned his B.A. (summa cum laude) in Economics from La Salle University. Prior to joining W&M, he was an Associate Professor of Finance at the Zicklin School of Business, Baruch College, City University of New York.

Professor Merrick has split his professional career between academia and Wall Street. He worked for six years at Lehman Brothers in fixed income derivatives research, product management, and proprietary trading. He spent five additional years in global fixed income portfolio management and the hedge fund trade advisory business. Before joining William & Mary, he spent four years at Baruch College after a second stint on the faculty of the Stern School of Business at New York University. Professor Merrick has also been a visiting scholar at the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia and a consultant to the World Bank.

Professor Merrick's research agenda has been shaped largely by his experiences on Wall Street. His academic research program focuses on securities and commodities market frictions, asset and derivative contract valuation, and market manipulation. He has taught *Financial History and Money and Debt Markets* in the BBA program and *Financial Instruments & Derivatives* in the Master of Accounting Program. Professor Merrick has published books, articles, and papers such as *Mismarking in Mutual Funds*, *Why Do Dealers Buy High and Sell Low? An Analysis of Persistent Crossing in Extremely Segmented Markets*, and *Financial Intermediaries in the Midst of Market Manipulation: Did They Protect the Fool or Help the Knave?* Professor Merrick is a Principal at WEFA, LLC, a consulting firm that provides specialized analysis in finance, including expert witness testimony, company valuation, and market studies.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, That the William & Mary Board of Visitors acknowledges the retirement of John J. Merrick, Jr., expresses its profound appreciation for his many contributions to William & Mary; and approves, with deep gratitude for his nineteen years of service, a change in status from Thomas L. Owen Professor of Business to Professor of Business, Emeritus.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the Board and a copy of the same be delivered to Professor John J. Merrick, Jr. with best wishes from a grateful Board for his years of dedicated service to William & Mary.