MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS
January 28, 2008

APPENDIX A
APPROVED RESOLUTIONS

VOTED the Board of Regents expresses its profound appreciation to the memory of Richard Darman, an esteemed and true friend of the Smithsonian Institution, and extends its heartfelt sympathies to the Darman family. [2008.01.01]

VOTED that the Board of Regents approves the Minutes of the Meeting of November 19, 2007, as previously circulated on January 23, 2008. [2008.01.2]

VOTED that the Board of Regents reappoints L. Hardwick Caldwell III as chair of the Smithsonian National Board for a renewable, one-year term effective immediately. [2008.01.3]

VOTED that the Board of Regents reappoints Ann Fudge, Quincy Jones, Homer Neal, Richard Parsons, and H. Patrick Swygert to the Advisory Council of the National Museum of African American History and Culture for three-year terms effective immediately. [2008.01.4]

VOTED that the Board of Regents reappoints Bennetta Jules-Rosette to the Board of the National Museum of African Art for a three-year term effective immediately. [2008.01.5]

VOTED that the Board of Regents appoints Catherine Morrison Golden to the Board of Directors of the National Museum of the American Indian, George Gustav Heye Center, for a three-year term effective immediately. [2008.01.6]

VOTED that the Board of Regents appoints Sheryll Cashin and reappoints Sally Chubb and Jill Krementz to the Commission of the National Portrait Gallery for four-year terms effective immediately. [2008.01.7]

VOTED that the Board of Regents appoints Beverly L. Perry, Jessica Stockholder, and Gary Wolkowitz and reappoints Richard A. Brodie, L. Hardwick Caldwell III, James F. Dicke II, Jean B. Mahoney, and Charles H. Moore to the Commission of the Smithsonian American Art Museum for four-year terms effective immediately. [2008.01.8]

VOTED that the Board of Regents reappoints Scott W. Nixon, Midgett S. Parker, Jr., and Charles G. Rose III to the Advisory Board of the Smithsonian Environmental Research Center for three-year terms effective immediately. [2008.01.9]

VOTED that the Board of Regents appoints Suzanne M. Carroll to the Board of the Smithsonian Institution Libraries for a three-year term effective immediately. [2008.01.10]

VOTED that the Board of Regents approves the proposed revisions to the Bylaws of the Board of the Smithsonian Institution Libraries. [2008.01.11]
VOTED that the Board of Regents confers the title of Regent Emeritus on Anne d’Harnoncourt with heartfelt gratitude for the outstanding service she has provided to the Smithsonian Institution. [2008.01.12]

VOTED that the Board of Regents creates the American Art Docent Endowment at the Smithsonian American Art Museum to support the docent program of the Museum and its Renwick Gallery. The endowment payout will fund core activities of the docent program, with priority given to docent recruitment, training, enrichment lectures, audio-visual support, reference materials, and public programs organized and/or supported by the docent corps. The funds may not be used for hospitality or other social activities of the docents. [2008.01.13]

VOTED that the Board of Regents recognizes the generosity of Theiline Pigott Scheumann and The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation and creates the Visiting Latin American Scholars Endowment, a fund to support, in perpetuity, research opportunities at the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute for visiting scholars from Latin America. [2008.01.14]

VOTED that the Board of Regents creates the Smithsonian American Art Museum Endowment, a quasi-endowment to benefit the Museum’s programmatic purposes, as determined by the Museum director, and authorizes the transfer of the funds identified for this purpose. [2008.01.15]

VOTED that the Board of Regents recognizes the generosity of Raymond J. and Margaret Horowitz to the Smithsonian American Art Museum and approves the renaming of the Raymond J. Horowitz Endowment as the Raymond J. and Margaret Horowitz Endowment. [2008.01.16]

VOTED that the Board of Regents recognizes the generosity of D. Travis and Anne Engen to the National Air and Space Museum and names the restoration hangar at the Museum’s Steven F. Udvar-Hazy Center the Mary Baker Engen Restoration Hangar, in perpetuity, and creates the Restoration Hangar Endowment, an endowed fund to support future renovations of the facility. [2008.01.17]


VOTED that the Board of Regents recognizes the generosity of Sony Electronics Inc. to the National Museum of Natural History, and its Ocean Hall exhibition and High Bay Media Experience, and accepts the terms of the gift agreement. [2008.01.19]

VOTED that the Board of Regents recognizes the generosity of the Motorola Foundation to the National Postal Museum, and its Systems at Work exhibition, and accepts the terms of the gift agreement. [2008.01.20]
VOTED that the Board of Regents recognizes the generosity of Target Corporation to the Smithsonian and to Cooper-Hewitt, National Design Museum and approves continuing the naming of the Target National Design Education Center for 40 years from the date of the gift agreement. In addition, the Board approves Target being the only donor that may receive naming recognition on the Museum’s lower level. [2008.01.21]

VOTED that the Board of Regents recognizes the continued generosity and dedication of Susan and Elihu Rose to the National Museum of American History and approves extending the naming of the Susan and Elihu Rose Gallery to 31 years from the date the gallery opens. The Museum anticipates opening the gallery in 2009 and that the naming will be in effect through 2040. [2008.01.22]

VOTED that the Board of Regents approves the contracting for and the construction of Phase Two of the National Air and Space Museum’s Steven F. Udvar-Hazy Center, based on the Museum’s successful fund-raising history for Phase One, the positive momentum of its current fund-raising campaign for Phase Two, and the understanding that this action will secure a fixed contract price that will limit further escalation of associated construction costs for the next phase of this long-term commitment, the phased construction of which was approved by the Regents in 1995. The Board recognizes that the subsequent demolition of some of the Museum’s derelict and unsafe collections storage facilities as a result of construction of Phase Two will address in part the Institution’s facilities challenges by avoiding some future, necessary capital repairs. [2008.01.23]

VOTED that to promote best practices and the highest professional standards at the Smithsonian, the Board of Regents approves the Statement of Values and Code of Ethics as proposed by the Acting Secretary. [2008.01.24]

VOTED that the Board of Regents approves the proposed revised charters for the following committees: Audit and Review, Finance and Investment, and Governance and Nominating. [2008.01.25]

VOTED that, pursuant to Bylaw 3.02, the Board of Regents elects Patricia Q. Stonesifer as a member of the Executive Committee, effective January 28, 2008. [2008.01.26]

VOTED that the Board of Regents approves the list of committee memberships, effective January 28, 2008, until the first meeting of calendar year 2009 or until further action of the Board, whichever comes first. [2008.01.27]

VOTED that the Board of Regents expresses its deep gratitude for the contributions of the Chancellor to the Executive Committee and accepts the proposed organizational change intended to support his ongoing relationship with and critical contributions to the Committee, as well as to enable the addition of another Regent to the Executive Committee. [2008.01.28]

VOTED that the Board of Regents appoints Roger W. Sant as chair of the Smithsonian Institution’s Board of Regents for a one-year term effective immediately. [2008.01.29]
VOTED that the Board of Regents authorizes the Acting Secretary to submit to Congress a Federal budget for fiscal year 2009 as part of the President’s budget in the amount of $716 million as negotiated with OMB. In addition, the Board authorizes the Acting Secretary to inform OMB and Congress fully about the implications of the President’s budget for the mission and priorities of the Institution. [2008.01.30]

VOTED that the Board of Regents expresses its appreciation to the Smithsonian Business Ventures Task Force for its report and recommendations; authorizes the Acting Secretary to restructure and rename Smithsonian Business Ventures, following the recommendations in the report; endorses the decision by the Acting Secretary not to outsource the retail stores and to develop a new revenue-sharing formula with the museums; and requests quarterly reports on business activities be provided to the Board of Regents in a manner determined by the Governance and Nominating Committee. [2008.01.31]

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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