Resolution to Change the Charge and Name of

Committee on Research on Human Subjects to
Institutional Review Board for Human Participants

Whereas the Office of Human Research Protections in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services has guided university Institutional Review Boards to include a larger number of community and provided considerable guidance as to membership and responsibilities;

Whereas current university legislation describes a charge that does not fully incorporate the guidelines of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services;

Whereas current university legislation creates a committee structure that could not respond flexibly to changes in federal regulations regarding the conduct of IRBs;

Whereas the conventional title of this committee used by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and most other universities is Institutional Review Board (IRB);

Therefore, it is proposed that the title of this committee be changed to Institutional Review Board for Human Participants and that the charge for this committee be changed to the following: (see following pages)

Committee on Research on Human Subjects
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