BUILDINGS & GROUNDS COMMITTEE

MAY 16, 2006

WALK-ON RESOLUTION
WAR OF 1812 MARKER AT THE SOUTHERN ENTRANCE OF THE UNIVERSITY CEMETERY

The War of 1812 Society in Virginia has asked permission to erect a marker commemorating War of 1812 veterans buried in the University Cemetery. The marker would be at the southern entrance to the Cemetery and the Society hopes to have a small ceremony on June 3rd at which the marker would be presented. They have approached the University Cemetery Committee, which has given its permission; the procedure in such things is that the Buildings and Grounds Committee considers markers and historical plaques proposed for the University Grounds and then makes a recommendation to the full Board.

In view of the June 3rd date of the ceremony, if the Committee recommends approval of the marker, the resolution will then be presented to the Executive Committee, who will be polled by telephone.

There are eight veterans of the War of 1812 buried in the Cemetery, but not in a special plot: they were buried in their respective family plots. Among their number are several well known University figures, including William Wertenbaker, the first Librarian of the University, and George Tucker, the first Professor of Moral Philosophy, a member of the first faculty and the first Chairman of the Faculty – before the office of President was created in 1904, the Chairman of the Faculty was the chief administrative officer of the University.

The marker will be made of bronze and will be set either in the ground or in the Cemetery wall. The text is as follows:

WAR OF 1812 VETERANS BURIED IN THIS CEMETERY

| Captain Henry Howard               | Private George Tucker |
| Sergeant Edmond Broadus            | Private William Tucker |
| Private William McCoy             | Private William Wertenbaker |
| Private William Ward              | Private Henry Rogers |

This plaque presented by the War of 1812 Society in Virginia - 2006
APPROVAL OF WAR OF 1812 MARKER AT THE SOUTHERN ENTRANCE OF THE UNIVERSITY CEMETERY

WHEREAS, the War of 1812 Society in Virginia wishes to present a plaque commemorating the veterans of the War of 1812 buried in the University Cemetery; and

WHEREAS, among the veterans to be commemorated are several of the most prominent figures in the early history of the University;

RESOLVED, the Board of Visitors approves the placing of a memorial plaque honoring the veterans of the War of 1812 buried in the University Cemetery, the wording of the plaque being appended to this resolution, and thanks the War of 1812 Society in Virginia for its generosity; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, the marker is to be placed at the southern entrance to the Cemetery.

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