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Dear Board Members:

After an extensive national search, we are pleased to recommend Rustin M. Moore, DVM, PhD, the Bud and Marilyn Jenne Professor, associate executive dean of The Ohio State University's College of Veterinary Medicine, executive director of the Veterinary Medical Center and the director of the Alice Lloyd Finley Memorial Veterinary Research Farm, as the college's dean. Subject to your approval, his appointment is effective September 1, 2015.

Dr. Moore joined Ohio State's faculty in 2006 as professor and chair of the Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences, a position he held until 2014. In 2008, he was named the Bud and Marilyn Jenne Professor, a title he has held since then. In 2009, he also assumed the role of acting director of the Veterinary Medical Center and in 2011 assumed the roles of associate dean of clinical and outreach programs and executive director of the Veterinary Medical Center. He assumed the roles of associate executive dean and director of the Alice Lloyd Finley Memorial Veterinary Research Farm in 2014. He continued to serve as the executive director of the Veterinary Medical Center while he served during the past year as the college's associate executive dean and the director of the veterinary research farm.

He has taught at all levels of the undergraduate, professional and graduate curricula, both at Ohio State and at Louisiana State University (LSU), where he served on the LSU faculty from 1994 to 2006. He has served as an advisor, co-advisor or committee member for 21 doctoral or master's students, as well as the clinical advisor for more than 25 interns and residents.

His clinical interests include equine lameness, surgery and colic and its associated complications, and his research has led to his being a principal or co-investigator on approximately 120 funded grants. In addition, he has authored or co-authored more than 15 book chapters, and his work has been published in 120 peer- or editor-reviewed manuscripts and 175 scientific abstracts. His service on editor-reviewed boards includes the journal Veterinary Surgery, and he has served as a manuscript reviewer for several additional prestigious journals. He is also a frequently invited speaker at national and international equine veterinary clinical, research and educational symposia.

In addition to extensive and substantial service to his department, college and the university, Dr. Moore has contributed wide-ranging service and outreach efforts to his discipline, to the community and beyond. For example, while at LSU, he assumed emergency leadership of a large-scale rescue effort of nearly 500 horses and other animals during the aftermath of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. A national leader, he has served as president of the American Association of Veterinary Clinicians, on the board of directors of the American Association of Equine Practitioners, on the board of regents of the American College of Veterinary Surgeons and as an equine health advisory board member for the Ohio Department of Agriculture, among others.

In addition, among his numerous awards, he received the Pfizer Award for Research Excellence, the School of Veterinary Medicine's Distinguished Faculty and the University's Distinguished Scholar Award. While at LSU, he received the Lifetime Achievement Award by the International Equine Conference on Laminitis and Diseases of the Foot and was recently inducted into the West Virginia University's Academy of Distinguished Alumni.

He earned a BS degree, summa cum laude, from the West Virginia University; a DVM, summa cum laude, and a PhD from The Ohio State University. In addition, he is a diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Surgeons.

Please join us in congratulating Rustin. We look forward to working with him in his role as dean and moving forward the college's ambitious agenda and goals.