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Board of Regents Statement on Mark Braun

(URBANDALE, Iowa) – Executive Director Robert Donley, on behalf of the Board of Regents, congratulates Mark Braun on his appointment as Chief of Staff to President Sally Mason at the University of Iowa.

Mark Braun, a graduate of the University of Iowa, has worked as a State Relations Officer for the Board of Regents since 2004, and as Director of State Relations for the University of Iowa since 1998. In his representation of the Board of Regents to the Iowa Legislature, Governor's Office, and others, Mark's efforts to garner critical support for the Board's initiatives and priorities have contributed significantly to the success of the Regent enterprise. The many results of these efforts have been of great benefit to students at the Regent institutions, Iowa business and industry, and the citizens of Iowa. In addition, Mark has been invaluable to the Board in his work on the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics Committee, and with many other constituents, including local governments, student organizations, and university faculty, staff, and alumni.

While we are sad to lose a member of the Board of Regents office, we are pleased that Mark will continue serving the Regent enterprise as a member of President Mason's executive team at the University of Iowa. Mark will build on the many University accomplishments that resulted from his past efforts, and he will be a great contributor to the University's continued success.

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