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Janet Anthony

JANET ANTHONY, since your arrival at Lawrence in 1984, you have played a central role in our Conservatory string program, setting an example for your students of excellence both in musicianship and in international humanitarian engagement.

Your performing career was international almost from its beginning, starting with your studies at Vienna's famed Universität für Musik und Darstellende Kunst, where you went to further your musical education after earning a bachelor's degree at the University of Arizona and a master's at the State University of New York at Stony Brook. While in Europe, you toured with the Vienna Chamber Orchestra, the Austrian Radio Orchestra and the Chamber Orchestra of the Vienna Symphony. You also participated in recordings with the Vienna Volksoper Orchestra. Your music-making in Wisconsin has included service as principal cellist of the Green Bay Symphony Orchestra.

In 1996, you began making annual trips to Haiti to teach, perform and conduct at music schools and performance venues there. Over the years, more than 50 Lawrence

University students and faculty have joined you on these trips and you have invited Haitian music teachers and performers to Lawrence for short-term residencies and professional development. Following the 2010 earthquake on the island, you organized a benefit concert in Appleton. You are the co-founder of the Fox Valley's Building Leaders Using Music Education (BLUME), a nonprofit organization dedicated to developing and supporting music education in Haiti.

In 2011, you were named the inaugural holder of the George and Marjorie Olsen Chandler Professorship in Music. During the 2016-17 academic year, you gave the Honors Convocation talk "Adventures in Music-Making: 20 Years of Cross-Cultural Exchange in Haiti," a memorable event that featured performances of Haitian music by the Lawrence University Cello Ensemble and the Lawrence University Symphony Orchestra.

In recognition of your many contributions to Lawrence and its students, I am pleased to award you the degree of Master of Arts, *ad eundum*, on the occasion of your retirement from the faculty.

June 10, 2018