



Resolution

Honoring Stanley Woo, OD, MS, MBA, as he concludes his terms as Director of the School of Optometry and Vision Science at the University of Waterloo

Whereas, Dr. Stanley Woo has been an exceptional leader in optometric education, the optometric profession, and the vision science community throughout his career; and

Whereas, following the awarding of his Doctor of Optometry degree from the University of California at Berkeley, Dr. Woo completed a Master of Science degree in Vision Science and a Residency Program in Low Vision Rehabilitation at the University of Houston College of Optometry, where he continued as a faculty member in the roles of Chief of the Vision Rehabilitation Service, founding Director of the University Eye Institute Center for Sight Enhancement, and Director of the Residency Program in Low Vision Rehabilitation; and

Whereas, following completion of a Master of Business Administration degree with a concentration in medical and health care management at the Rice University Jones Graduate School of Business, Dr. Woo joined the Southern California College of Optometry at Marshall B. Ketchum University in 2013 as Dean and Professor, leading the University's efforts to incorporate interprofessional education and collaborative practice initiatives involving optometry, physician assistant, and pharmacy students; and

Whereas, since becoming Director of the School of Optometry and Vision Science at the University of Waterloo in 2017, Dr. Woo has led multiple ambitious projects, including the building of the Waterloo Eye Institute to renovate, expand, and modernize patient care facilities, to add research infrastructure, and to increase clinical education capacity; he has led efforts to partner with other organizations to increase access to eye care across Canada, particularly for Indigenous people, rural and remote communities, and underserved individuals in urban areas; and, he has actively supported significant advances

made by the profession in Canada through scope of practice expansion and modernization, leadership in artificial intelligence, and teleoptometry; and

Whereas, Dr. Woo's contributions and accomplishments have been recognized by his receipt of the President's Award from the Ontario Association of Optometrists in March 2025; therefore be it

Resolved, that ASCO and its members sincerely thank Dr. Woo for his collegiality, leadership, and dedicated contributions to optometry, optometric education, and ASCO; and be it further

Resolved, that the ASCO community extends its very best wishes to Dr. Woo and his family as he begins a sabbatical leave following the completion of his terms as Director and as he continues as a Professor at the School of Optometry and Vision Science at the University of Waterloo, where he looks forward to devoting more time to research interests, including eye data, oculomics, artificial intelligence, and teleoptometry.