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Statement from ABOR Vice Chair on Arizona State University President Michael Crow

*The following statement may be
attributed to ABOR Vice Chair Bill Ridenour*

"President Crow is a remarkable leader of the highest caliber," said Arizona Board of Regents Vice Chair Bill Ridenour. "His vision, dedication and innovation have a positive impact on student success and the economy of this state. Under President Crow's leadership, the four-year graduation rate for Arizona residents has nearly doubled since 2002 and research expenditures are on a strong trajectory of growth, having nearly quadrupled during the same time.

President Crow intrinsically understands the accelerating globalization of education and has successfully leveraged partnerships to increase accessibility of public higher education, such as the innovative Starbucks College Achievement Plan. His entrepreneurial leadership coupled with his global engagement and social embeddedness priorities, all keenly focused on student success and broad societal impact, are returning invaluable results for our students, our state and the global community. While the average tenure of a public university president is about six years, we are proud that President Crow has been leading Arizona State University for 15 years and tremendously value his ongoing commitment to Arizona and ASU."

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