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Statement from President Lang on President Allen's Retirement Announcement

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UNI President Ben Allen has notified the Board of his plans to retire from the University of Northern Iowa no later than July 1, 2013.

President Allen was appointed UNI president by the Board of Regents in April 2006. Since that time, President Allen has elevated this great university to its preeminent stature as a leader in undergraduate education, pre-K through 12 teacher training and education issues, and in its contributions to the economic, social and cultural development of the state.

"The Board is most proud and appreciative of Ben's leadership role in Iowa's Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) initiative, and his extraordinary work in leading UNI through significant economic challenges," said Board of Regents President Craig Lang.

The Board of Regents thanks President Allen for his extraordinary service as president of the University of Northern Iowa.