

## Castle Statement Regarding Appointment of Patrick Harker to University of Delaware Presidency -- December 1, 2006

Wilmington, DE -- Delaware Congressman Mike Castle released the following statement today regarding the appointment of Patrick Harker, current Dean of the Wharton School, as the new President of University of Delaware.

"Today's announcement that Patrick Harker will become University of Delaware's new President is exciting news for the Delaware community. As current Dean of the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania, Patrick will bring the needed expertise to fill the role of President and I have confidence that he is the right man for the job.

"However, although today's news makes us look to the future of the University, there can be no discussion of the Presidency without praising the hard work and dedication of David Roselle. Throughout the 17 years of David's tenure, he strengthened the University of Delaware into a nationally recognized institution for excellence in education and research, attracting top professors in their respective fields, and helping build the University's endowment to over \$1 billion. David's knowledge, experience and talents will be missed, but I am sure he will pass some of his wisdom on to Patrick Harker who I look forward to meeting soon to discuss his goals and ideas for the future of the University of Delaware."

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