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JUSTICE ROBERT F. ORR ANNOUNCED AS MEMBER OF THE BOARD
OF THE HARTZOG INSTITUTE FOR PARKS

The Board of Directors of the George B. Jr. and Helen C. Hartzog Institute for Parks at Clemson University has elected Justice Robert F. Orr as Member of the Board of Directors.

The Hartzog Institute is a non-profit organization founded to conduct, broker and communicate a comprehensive program of research, education and management practices that enhance the world's parks and protected areas, while concurrently increasing the understanding of the natural, historical, cultural and recreational value of these treasured resources among a global citizenry. The Institute's goals include developing leadership, keeping parks relevant, conducting grounded research on park issues, and developing collaboration and partnerships.

George Hartzog, Jr. was nationally prominent in his role as Director of the National Park Service and dedicated his life to preserving, expanding, and safeguarding the nation's parks. Helen Hartzog spent her life alongside her husband supporting him with her own enthusiasm and love for parklands and protected areas. Clemson University established the Institute as a way to honor the couple and to preserve and continue their legacy.

Justice Orr, who has had a longtime interest in historic preservation and national parks, expressed his enthusiasm for the opportunity to serve on the Hartzog Institute Board. Orr has also served as a member and chairman of the Secretary of the Interior's National Park System Advisory Board. He is a former Justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court and currently is Executive Director of the North Carolina Institute for Constitutional Law.

"I'm very appreciative to be asked to be a part of this effort to strengthen the parks nationally and internationally through this collaborative program with Clemson University," said Justice Orr. "George Hartzog was a great champion and leader of the National Park System, and I'm privileged to help sustain his legacy."

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