WHEREAS, the Masters in Public Health (MPH) Program in the College of Health Sciences and the College of Arts and Sciences has successfully initiated a new degree program for training students with a master of public health with a specialization in epidemiology and a master of public health with a specialization in health policy and management, and

WHEREAS, Public Health as a field has a significant shortage of qualified individuals trained in applied public health who can work in research, government, industry, and other settings, and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Program has assembled a nationally recognized faculty who are qualified to provide interdisciplinary training to students and has funding, research space, and staff to support a MPH program

RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate recommends provisionally for seven years the approval of the establishment of a Masters of Public Health degree with a specialization in epidemiology and a Masters of Public Health degree with a specialization in health policy and management.