

WHEREAS, Jose Antonio "TJ" Villamil has served as Special Assistant to President Emeritus J. Bernard Machen during Dr. Machen's presidency and as Liaison and Assistant Secretary to the University of Florida Board of Trustees with distinction from May 28, 2014 through December 31, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Villamil has encouraged and supported students and many others at the University in a wide range of educational, leadership, and entrepreneurial activities; fostered broad perspectives and inclusion of people of many backgrounds; and assisted students and others in presenting important and relevant information to the Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Villamil has served the Board with a deep commitment to the University; has worked closely with and supported the President and the Board; has applied the experience of his former roles as a student, Student Body President, Trustee, student mentor, and entrepreneur to the advancement of the University; and has been a respected and effective ambassador of the University in Florida and beyond; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Villamil has brought his independent judgment and wisdom to the Board, discharging his duties as Special Assistant to the President and Liaison and Assistant Secretary to the Board of Trustees faithfully and effectively; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Villamil completed his service as Special Assistant to the President and Liaison and Assistant Secretary to the Board of Trustees on December 31, 2014;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Florida Board of Trustees at its regular meeting this 4th day of June, 2015, does hereby recognize and commend TJ Villamil for his contributions to the University of Florida and the Board of Trustees, and does wish him well in his future professional endeavors; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be included in the minutes of this meeting, and a copy be presented to TJ Villamil as a token of the Board's appreciation and gratitude.

Steven M. Scott, Chair

W. Kent Fuchs, President