UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA BOARD OF TRUSTEES RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Honorable Ray G. Thomas, has served as University of Florida Faculty Senate Chair, and an Associate in Geological Sciences in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; and

WHEREAS, since June 1, 2019, Mr. Thomas has served as a member of the University of Florida Board of Trustees including Committees on (i) Academic, Faculty, Student Affairs & Experience, (ii) Advancement and (iii) Audit and Compliance through an important period of advancing the University's stature; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the faculty, Mr. Thomas brought to the Board his dedication to the faculty and University, commitment to shared governance, collaboration, and transparency that contribute to the academic quality of the University of Florida; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Thomas brought passion for serving the University and the faculty to his board service, advocating for access to quality childcare and early learning facilities, and paid parental leave, expertise in effective communication and collaboration among University stakeholders, discharging his duties as Trustee faithfully and effectively; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Thomas's focus has strengthened communication among faculty and between university leadership; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Thomas is a valuable ambassador for the faculty and the University of Florida, and will complete his successful term of office as Faculty Senate Chair and University of Florida Trustee on May 31, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Florida Board of Trustees at its regular meeting this 5th day of June 2020, does hereby recognize and commend Mr. Ray G. Thomas for his contributions to the University of Florida Board of Trustees and the University of Florida; and

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

Morteza Hosseini, Chair	W. Kent Fuchs, President and Corporate
	Secretary