

UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA BOARD OF TRUSTEES RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Robert G. Stern honorably served as a member of the University of Florida Board of Trustees from February 2015 to January 2020 fulfilling his role with distinction through an important period of advancing the University's stature and ranking; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Stern contributed significantly to Board-level oversight of strategic communications and institutional pursuits that enhance the University's stature and reputation, in his role as the Chair of the Board's Committee on Marketing, Public Relations, and Strategic Communications; and in that role, Mr. Stern oversaw the administration's development of dashboards of key performance indicators to advance reputation and rankings, was a leader in the Board's efforts to increase the University's reputation, and focused the Board on brand and positioning strategy; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Stern also served as a member of the Committees on (i) Audit and Compliance, and (ii) Facilities and Capital Improvements through an important period of advancing the University's distinction; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Stern is a loyal Gator having served on numerous additional UF Boards including, Past President of the UF National Alumni Association, and serving on the UF Real Estate Advisory Board, UF Student Affairs Advisory Board, UF President's Council, UF Government Relations Advisory Council, UF Regional Legislative Task Force, College of Law Board of Trustees, and President of the Tampa Bay Gator Club; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Stern has been dedicated to the University of Florida for decades during his time as an undergraduate and while earning his Juris Doctorate with honors, as President of Florida Blue Key, Senior Editor of the Florida Law Review, and a member of the Order of Coif; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Stern brought to the Board energy, business expertise, and strong strategic leadership that fostered cohesion, consensus, and respect for a diversity of opinion that advanced our University.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Florida Board of Trustees at its regular meeting this 4th day of December 2020, does hereby recognize and commend Robert G. Stern for his contributions to the 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 Robert G. Stern as a token of the Board's appreciation and admiration.

Morteza "Mori" Hosseini, Chair

W. Kent Fuchs, President and Corporate Secretary