UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA BOARD OF TRUSTEES RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Honorable David Bloom has served as University of Florida Faculty Senate Chair, Professor, Molecular Genetics & Microbiology; and as Director, UF College of Medicine's Training Program in Basic Microbiology and Infectious Disease, and recently was named Chair of Molecular Genetics & Microbiology, and

WHEREAS, since June 1, 2021, Dr. Bloom has served as a member of the University of Florida Board of Trustees including Committees on (i) Academic, Faculty, Student Affairs & Experience, (ii) Audit and Compliance, and (iii) Finance, Strategic Planning, and Performance Metrics through unprecedented times; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the faculty, Dr. Bloom has contributed research and mentored the next generation of scientists in his various roles with the UF College of Medicine for more than 20 years, served on the UF Graduate Council and Academic Personnel Board, and brought to the Board his commitment to effective communication and collaboration; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Bloom has demonstrated his dedication to the faculty and the University, commitment and transparency to shared governance, created several task forces to address faculty concerns; advocated for the faculty's desire to continue to raise the reputation of all colleges and helped UF rise to be ranked a No. 5 public institution by U.S. News & World in 2021, he has continued to support and advocated for access to quality childcare and early learning facilities, and for graduate students and graduate student housing, discharging his duties as Trustee faithfully and effectively; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Bloom is a nationally recognized virologist, a leader in academics, a valuable ambassador for the faculty, graduate students, 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, 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Florida Board of Trustees at its regular meeting this 22nd day of April 2022, does hereby recognize and commend Dr. David C. Bloom 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 Dr. David Bloom as a token of the Board's appreciation and admiration.

Morteza Hosseini, Chair

W. Kent Fuchs, President and Corporate Secretary