## THE UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA BOARD OF TRUSTEES

## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS,** the University of Florida athletics program is recognized among the very best in the nation, ranking among the top-ten for academic and athletic achievements; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2006 University of Florida Gators football team upheld this tradition of academic and athletic excellence; and

**WHEREAS**, the Gators were crowned 2006 Southeastern Conference Champions after defeating the Arkansas Razorbacks, 38-28, on December 2, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the second-ranked Gators defeated the Ohio State Buckeyes, 41-14, on January 8, 2007, in the BCS National Championship Game, earning the Gators' second national championship in football; and

**WHEREAS,** Coach Urban Meyer, his staff, and the team's players guided the Gators to a school-record 13 wins; and

**WHEREAS,** Coach Urban Meyer is only the seventh head coach in NCAA history to earn a national championship in the first or second year as head coach; and

**WHEREAS,** by winning the 2006 football national championship, the University of Florida became the first-ever school to hold, at the same time, a national title in football and men's basketball;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** the University of Florida Board of Trustees, on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2007, does hereby congratulate the 2006 University of Florida Gators football team, Coach Urban Meyer and his staff, and Director of Athletics Jeremy Foley and his staff for winning the Southeastern Conference and BCS national championships.

Manny Fernandez, Chair	J. Bernard Machen, President