



UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Christopher J. Cowen has been an esteemed leader and advisor at the University of Florida since 2020, serving as Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, overseeing and planning the financial aspects of UF's entire portfolio, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cowen has been instrumental in promoting sound financial management practices across the university enterprise, including academic, research, graduate, agricultural, and medical programs, as well as direct support organizations. He has provided short- and long-term financial strategies to ensure the university's financial success, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cowen has played a vital role as a support and liaison to the Committee on Finance, Strategic Planning & Performance Metrics. He has worked closely with the committee chair and trustees, offering comprehensive reviews and strategies to enhance and strengthen the financial health of the university and its affiliated entities. He has implemented institutional fiscal policies, ensured appropriate financial controls, and collaborated with other board committees when fiscal input was required, and

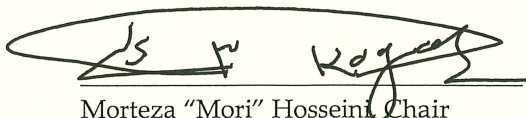
WHEREAS, Mr. Cowen has made significant contributions by serving on various university boards, offering his sound financial advice and expertise. His service has extended to UF Health Shands, the UF Athletic Association, the UF Foundation, the UF Investment Corporation, and the UF Research Foundation, and


WHEREAS, Mr. Cowen's expertise in finance and accounting has been pivotal in guiding the Office of the Chief Financial Officer and ensuring the university's financial well-being. He has provided invaluable assistance and leadership for all financial professionals at UF, and

WHEREAS, with his strategic direction, Mr. Cowen helped guide the university through challenging budgetary circumstances, allowing it to emerge stronger and better prepared for the future, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the UF Board of Trustees, assembled on this 8th day of June 2023, formally recognizes and commends Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Christopher Cowen for his exceptional contributions to the university and Board of Trustees, and

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


Morteza "Mori" Hosseini, Chair


Ben Sasse, President and Corporate Secretary