

FLORIDA BOARD OF GOVERNORS

# Resolution

STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA

**WHEREAS**, President Randy Avent has provided distinguished and outstanding service to Florida Polytechnic University, its Board of Trustees, and student body. Dr. Avent held the honor of serving as the founding president, and served in this capacity for a decade at Florida's only university entirely dedicated to STEM; and

**WHEREAS**, during Dr. Avent's tenure as President, he facilitated a number of accomplishments including securing accreditation for computer engineering, computer science, electrical engineering and mechanical engineering programs. He also secured accreditation for a broader array of bachelors and masters degree programs; improved the campus infrastructure to include the Applied Research Center, student housing, and an engineering-focused building; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Avent's dedication and commitment contributed to Florida Polytechnic University rising national rankings and recognition: number 1 public college in the region by U.S. News & World Report in 2022-23; top 30 public engineering programs without a Ph.D. in the country, and number 21 for career outcomes in the nation.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the members of the Board of Governors, meeting at the University of Central Florida, on this 28th day of June 2024, do hereby recognize and commend President Randy Avent, for his contributions to Florida Polytechnic University and the State University System and do wish him well; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the resolution be presented to Dr. Randy Avent as a token of the Board's appreciation and thanks.

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*Brian Lamb, Chair*

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*Alan Levine, Vice Chair*

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*Ray Rodrigues, Chancellor*

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*Rachel Kamoutsas, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary*