

WHEREAS, Chair Clifford K. (Cliff) Otto has provided dedicated and effective leadership to the State University System of Florida, concludes his service as Chair of the Florida Polytechnic University Board of Trustees (2020-2024); and

WHEREAS, before serving the Florida Poly Board of Trustees, Chair Otto served on the University Foundation Board and various executive management roles in logistics and finance. Chair Otto is the retired CEO of Saddle Creek Logistics Services. Saddle Creek's business includes warehousing, transportation, fulfillment, and value-added services with operations across the US. Previously, he worked for Baxter Healthcare and American Can Co. and spent 11 years with CHEP USA, where he was Senior Vice President for North American sales after serving as General Manager of CHEP's Midwest region since the company's launch in 1990; and

**WHEREAS**, Chair Otto oversaw the construction and opening of the Barnett Applied Research Center (BARC), the construction and opening of the university's third residence hall, the first public-private partnership building on campus with International Flavors and Fragrances (IFF), and the search for the newest Florida Poly president, Dr. Devin Stephenson; and

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the members of the Board of Governors, meeting at the University of South Florida on this 18th day of September 2024, do hereby commend Mr. Cliff Otto for his invaluable contributions to the Board of Governors, State University System and extend to his all the best wishes; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the resolution be presented to Mr. Cliff Otto as a small token of the Board's appreciation and thanks.

Brian Lamb, Chair

Alan Levine, Vice Chair

Ray Rodrigues, Chancellor

Rachel Kamoutsas, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary