

FLORIDA BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Resolution

STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA

WHEREAS, Chair Suzanne Lewis has provided distinguished and outstanding service to the University of West Florida, its Board of Trustees, and its student body, serving as the Chair of UWF since June 24, 2021; and

WHEREAS, before serving as Chair, Suzanne Lewis served as a member of the University of West Florida board since January 2013. She previously served as a park ranger, district ranger, superintendent, and senior executive service (SES) official, making her the first female superintendent of five national parks, ultimately dedicating 32 years to her career; and

WHEREAS, during her term as Chair, Lewis's dedication and commitment contributed to the University of West Florida's rising national rankings and recognition: In 2024, The U.S. News & World Report Top Public Schools, under the Regional Universities South category, UWF was ranked No. 9 in the Best Colleges for Veterans and climbed to No. 23 in the Regional Universities South category. UWF also received badges in the categories of Social Mobility, Best Undergraduate Psychology, and Best Undergraduate Nursing; and

BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the Board of Governors, meeting virtually on this 20th day of February 2025, do hereby recognize and commend Chair Suzanne Lewis for her contributions to the University of West Florida and the State University System and do wish her well; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the resolution be presented to Suzanne Lewis as a token of the Board's appreciation and thanks.

Brian Lamb, Chair

Alan Levine, Vice Chair

Ray Rodrigues, Chancellor

*Rachel Kamoutsas,
Chief of Staff and Corporate Secretary*

