

WHEREAS, President Kenneth A. Jessell has provided distinguished and outstanding service to Florida International University, its Board of Trustees, and its student body. Serving as the president of FIU between 2022 and 2025, Dr. Jessell held the honor of serving as the 6th president since January 2022 and served in this capacity proudly for 3 years; and

WHEREAS, before serving as the President, Dr. Jessell received his Baccalaureate Degree in Political Science, holds a Master of Business Administration Degree, and a Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Finance from Florida State University. Dr. Jessell began his now 42-year career in the State University System, serving at Florida Atlantic University in various academic and administrative positions. He also served as the senior vice president for finance and administration and chief financial officer at FIU since 2009. He also served as a professor of finance at the FIU College of Business; and

WHEREAS, during his term as president, Dr. Jessell's dedication and commitment contributed to Florida International University's rising national rankings and recognition: In 2024, The U.S. News & World Report Rankings named FIU No. 46 of Top Public Schools, No. 98 for National Universities, No. 94 of Best Value; 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 President Kenneth A. Jessell for his contributions to Florida International University and the State University System and do wish him well; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the resolution be presented to Dr. Kenneth A. Jessell 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