MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 5, 2021 MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA

In accordance with Governor Kay Ivey’s March 18, 2020 and April 2, 2020 emergency proclamations, The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama met by video conference on Friday, February 5, 2021. President pro tempore W. Stancil Starnes chaired the meeting. Mark D. Foley, Jr. served as Secretary.

On roll call, the following Trustees were present:

The Honorable Harris V. Morrissette, Trustee from the First Congressional District;

The Honorable Marietta M. Urquhart, Trustee from the First Congressional District;

The Honorable Mike Brock, Trustee from the Second Congressional District;

The Honorable W. Davis Malone III, Trustee from the Second Congressional District;

The Honorable Kenneth L. Vandervoort, M.D., Trustee from the Third Congressional District;

The Honorable James W. Wilson, III Trustee from the Third Congressional District;

The Honorable Evelyn VanSant Mauldin, Trustee from the Fourth Congressional District;

The Honorable Scott M. Phelps, Trustee from the Fourth Congressional District;

The Honorable Ronald W. Gray, Trustee from the Fifth Congressional District;

The Honorable William Britt Sexton, Trustee from the Fifth Congressional District;

The Honorable Vanessa Leonard, Trustee from the Sixth Congressional District;
The Honorable W. Stancil Starnes, President pro tempore and Trustee from the Sixth Congressional District;

The Honorable Karen P. Brooks, Trustee from the Seventh Congressional District;

The Honorable John H. England, Jr., Trustee from the Seventh Congressional District;

The meeting was also attended by Chancellor Finis E. St. John IV; UA President Dr. Stuart R. Bell; UAB President Ray L. Watts, M.D.; UAH President Dr. Darren M. Dawson; UAB Health System Authority CEO Dr. William Ferniany; and support staff from the System Office, the three campuses, and the UAB Health System. The Honorable Barbara Humphrey, Trustee from the Seventh Congressional District, was unable to attend.

Student Representatives to the Board in attendance were Demarcus Joiner from UA, Tyler Huang from UAB, and Jessica Hunter from UAH. Faculty Representatives to the Board in attendance were Dr. Rona Donahoe from UA, Dr. Michael Sloane from UAB, and Dr. Timothy Newman from UAH.

Board Secretary Mark Foley introduced Michael Casagrande with al.com, Keely Brewer and Zack Jones with The Crimson White, and Steve Diorio with WVUA.

Pro Tem Starnes then welcomed the media and everyone viewing the livestream of the meeting on YouTube.

Pro tem Starnes said an agenda was provided in advance of the meeting and asked if there was any objection to its adoption. Hearing none, the agenda was unanimously adopted.

Pro tem Starnes said the minutes of the November 13, 2020 meeting were previously distributed for consideration. He asked if there was any objection to approving the minutes as distributed. Hearing none, the minutes were unanimously approved.
Pro tem Starnes recognized Chancellor Finis E. St. John IV for a report from The University of Alabama System.

Thank you, Mr. Pro Tem. On the occasion of this meeting of the Board of Trustees at which we will hear the annual update from The University of Alabama at Birmingham, I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge and thank the team at UAB for their service this past year to our System, the state of Alabama, and the entire nation. During a time of crisis, we have seen again what a treasure UAB is to Alabama. Since the first day of the pandemic, UAB took the lead and has remained in the lead of this response. Countless healthcare workers, administrators, doctors, scientists, and researchers have tirelessly navigated an incredibly complex crisis which threatened every phase of day-to-day life and health. Many of the accomplishments and successes so far, such as a successful completion of this academic year all the way from K-12 to our three Universities and other colleges and universities across the State and around the country and progress toward testing and vaccinating our population, would never have happened without the systematic addressing of these issues. I know the Board of Trustees and every person who serves in our System or relies on it joins me in expressing heartfelt gratitude.

Dr. Watts, Dr. Vickers, and Dr. Ferniany, please thank all your brilliant team again for this service. I can report to the Board that your staff at the System and on our campuses is turning to the future, recommitting ourselves to your goals and aspirations for us, and we look forward to serving the State to the best of our abilities. This pandemic has shown the value that our System provides to our citizens and we understand our charge to be preeminent in everything we do, and we will respond.

Mr. Pro tem, with your permission, I would like to comment on two items the Board will consider on the agenda today. On the first, the Board will consider a resolution naming an important building at UAB in honor of former Trustee John McMahon, mentor and friend to all of us who has had the honor to serve with him. To second the comments made earlier by Trustees in the Committee meetings, I would say that this resolution cannot adequately express what he has meant to all of us, personally, professionally, and in our joint service to the System. Through his deep devotion to our mission, his giant intellect, and his friendship, we can never repay him. I thank the Board for this well-deserved recognition of John and Betty McMahon.
The Board will also consider a resolution recognizing the 30-plus year career of retiring Sr. Vice Chancellor Kellee Reinhart, who is present with us virtually today. Kellee also has served our System with distinction and given everything she had to its success. We will miss her steady good judgement in times of success and crisis. Kellee’s love and devotion to the mission of this System has shown through in every message she has ever delivered. We congratulate you Kellee, on your distinguished career, and your well-deserved retirement. I direct all our attention to the language in the resolution that will be presented shortly. We will continue to treasure your counsel and friendship. Mr. Pro tem, this concludes my report.

Pro tem Starnes thanked Chancellor St. John for his report and said we are very, very fortunate beneficiaries of the service of Fess and all that work in the System Office to our Board. They are responsive, they are dedicated, they are devoted, and do an unbelievable job of supporting the Board of Trustees.

Pro tem Starnes recognized Dr. Ray Watts for the UAB institutional Presentation to the Board of Trustees. (Exhibit G)

Pro tem Starnes thanked Dr. Watts and said your leadership continues to personify and be emblematic of the leadership position that UAB plays in this county, this State, and this country, and for that we thank you.

Dr. Watts introduced Dr. Sloane prior to his Faculty Representative presentation to the Board:

Dr. Sloan is UAB’s newest chair of the Faculty Senate and has a distinguished career in psychology that spans over three decades at UAB. Dr. Sloane has done an exceptional job in leading the University’s Honors Program, serving as the Director since 2004. The program has been one of UAB’s most outstanding academic programs. Dr. Sloane has been a very important colleague and leader with our entire leadership team at UAB representing the faculty and making sure that we are taking everything into account when we make decisions that affects the health of UAB. He has been a great partner in that.
Pro tem Starnes then recognized Dr. Michael Sloane to give the UAB Faculty Representative Report to the Board of Trustees. (Exhibit H)

Pro tem Starnes thanked Dr. Sloane and said, “Thank you Dr. Sloane for your report and your information. Obviously, a lot of great things are happening at UAB and they are all dependent on the faculty. So, we thank you for that. I would be remiss if I did not mention that your award for Allen Bolton will be very, very highly regarded by the Board of Trustees. We rarely hear Allen’s name mentioned when it is not followed by a string of superlatives as for the job he does for UAB and for this System. We are grateful for the faculty for recognizing that as well.” Thank you very much.

Dr. Watts introduced Tyler Huang prior to his Student Representative presentation to the Board presentation:

Tyler is an undergraduate neuroscience major and is working on a combined master’s degree in biomedical science focused on neuroscience. He has had an outstanding academic career and serves now as UAB’s Student Government Association President. He has been an important part of our battle against the pandemic, including the leadership, the faculty and staff, and our students. We are proud of Tyler. He has been an ambassador, peer mentor, and a strong proponent of undergraduate research.

Pro tem Starnes then recognized Tyler Huang to give the UAB Student Representative Report to the Board of Trustees. (Exhibit I)

Pro tem Starnes thanked Tyler and said, “Thank you Mr. Haung. We are very grateful to you for your presentation. This Board relishes the time that we hear from students and spend with students. Thank you very much.”

Pro tem Starnes said a copy of the Executive Committee Report was provided to the Board in advance of this meeting and asked if there were any questions regarding the Committee’s actions. There were none.
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Under Article IV of the Board Bylaws, the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees may “perform any function of the Board when, in the opinion of the Executive Committee, action is advisable before the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board.” The Executive Committee is required to “report its action to the Board at the next Board meeting.”

Pursuant to its duly delegated authority, the Executive Committee unanimously approved the following resolution on December 10, 2020.

**December 10, 2020**

Authorizing a Real Estate Transaction with the United States Geological Survey

Pro tem Starnes recognized Trustee Sexton for a report from the Finance Committee.

Trustee Sexton reported that the Finance Committee met yesterday and considered one action item that the Committee unanimously recommended for approval. Trustee Sexton moved for its approval by the Board, which was seconded by Trustee Brooks. Pro tem Starnes asked if there were questions or comments concerning any of the items. Hearing none, Pro tem Starnes then called for a vote, and the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Consideration of Resolution Approving University Hospital Annual Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2020–2021

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Board Rule 410 requires the “campus[es], hospital, and system office” to present annual operating budget proposals to The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama (“Board of Trustees”) for approval; and

WHEREAS, due to unique financial uncertainties stemming from the COVID-19 pandemic, the Board of Trustees approved on September 11, 2020, the University of Alabama Hospital (“University Hospital”) to continue to operate under the previously approved 2019–2020 annual operating budget; and
WHEREAS, University Hospital has the necessary information related to the financial implications of the COVID-19 pandemic in order to finalize its fiscal year 2020-2021 operating budget and is requesting approval by the Board of Trustees of the revised budget; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has reviewed the proposed operating budget for the University Hospital for fiscal year 2020–2021;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees that the proposed annual operating budget for fiscal year 2020-2021 for the University Hospital is hereby adopted.

Trustee Sexton also reported that the Finance Committee reviewed one information item, a Quarterly Purchasing Report.

Pro tem Starnes thanked Trustee Sexton for his report and recognized Trustee Harris Morrissette for a report from the Investment Committee.

Trustee Morrissette reported that the Committee met yesterday and approved investments with four new managers. These items do not require separate approval by the Board of Trustees.

Pro tem Starnes asked if there were questions or comments concerning the Committee’s actions. Hearing none, the report was accepted.

Consideration of Resolution Granting Authorization to Negotiate and Execute Contract with Taconic Opportunity Fund

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Investment Committee of The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama has previously established a target asset allocation for Diversifying Strategies in the Pooled Endowment Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration, with the advice and assistance of Fund Evaluation Group, hereby recommends an investment in Taconic Opportunity Fund of approximately 1.5% of the Pooled Endowment Fund;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Investment Committee of The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that the Vice Chancellor for Finance and
Administration, with the advice and assistance of Fund Evaluation Group, and subject to review by the University of Alabama System legal counsel be, and hereby is, authorized to negotiate and execute a contract with Taconic Opportunity Fund.

Consideration of Resolution Granting Authorization to Negotiate and Execute Contract with Socorro Dynamic Opportunity Fund, LP

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Investment Committee of The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama has previously established a target asset allocation for Diversifying Strategies in the Pooled Endowment Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration, with the advice and assistance of Fund Evaluation Group, hereby recommends an investment in Socorro Dynamic Opportunity Fund, LP of approximately 1.5% of the Pooled Endowment Fund;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Investment Committee of The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that the Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration, with the advice and assistance of Fund Evaluation Group, and subject to review by the University of Alabama System legal counsel be, and hereby is, authorized to negotiate and execute a contract with Socorro Dynamic Opportunity Fund, LP.

Consideration of Resolution Granting Authorization to Negotiate and Execute Contract with FEG Select Private Equity Series – TG XIV for Tiger Global PIP XIV

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Investment Committee of The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama has previously established a target asset allocation for Global Equity in the Pooled Endowment Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration, with the advice and assistance of Fund Evaluation Group, hereby recommends an investment in Tiger Global PIP XIV through FEG Select Private Equity Series – TG XIV of up to $12,500,000 million for the Pooled Endowment Fund;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Investment Committee of The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that the Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration, with the advice and assistance of Fund Evaluation Group, and subject to review by the University of Alabama System legal counsel be, and hereby is, authorized to negotiate and execute a contract with FEG Select Private Equity Series – TG XIV for Tiger Global PIP XIV.
Consideration of Resolution Granting Authorization to Negotiate and Execute Contract with Polen Capital Focus Growth Fund

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Investment Committee of The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama has previously established a target asset allocation for Global Equity in the Liquidity and Capital Reserve Pool; and

WHEREAS, the Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration, with the advice and assistance of Fund Evaluation Group, hereby recommends an investment in Polen Capital Focus Growth Fund of approximately 2.8% of the Liquidity and Capital Reserve Pool to be funded from proceeds received from the redemption of the Northern Trust S&P 500 Common Fund;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Investment Committee of The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that the Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration, with the advice and assistance of Fund Evaluation Group, and subject to review by the University of Alabama System legal counsel be, and hereby is, authorized to negotiate and execute a contract with Polen Capital Focus Growth Fund.

Pro tem Starnes thanked Trustee Morrissette for his report and recognized Trustee Karen Brooks for a report from the Physical Properties Committee.

Trustee Brooks reported that the Physical Properties Committee met yesterday and considered 13 agenda items, all of which the Committee unanimously recommended for approval, and Trustee Brooks moved for their approval by the Board, which was seconded by Trustee Urquhart. Pro tem Starnes asked if there were questions or comments concerning any of the items. Hearing none, Pro tem Starnes then called for a vote, and the following resolutions were unanimously adopted, separately and collectively:

Approving the proposed architectural design for the Bryant Conference Center and Moody Music District Energy Plant at UA (Stage III)
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in accordance with Board Rule 415, on November 13, 2020, The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama ("Board") approved a Stage I submittal for the Bryant Conference Center and Moody Music District Energy Plant project ("Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Project will improve the teaching, learning, and working environments of campus constituents by providing reliable and efficient energy to facilities by replacing systems that have reached the end of their functional service life by centralizing equipment in an energy plant; and

WHEREAS, the Project is coordinated with the master plan for the area including development plans for Bryant Conference Center, Frank Moody Music building and the future pedestrian bridge from the Capstone Parking Deck; and

WHEREAS, this work was originally planned to be coordinated with the Bryant Conference Center Renovation and Addition project, but is being advanced distinctly from that project as the equipment has reached a critical replacement point and this approach will yield the most efficient long term cost approach for the University; and

WHEREAS, due to their previous programming experience and preliminary design work on the Project, their commitment to completing the design to allow the Project to proceed as scheduled prior to the start of the 2021 academic year with Project completion by spring 2022, and to best coordinate with the seasonal loads of the system, on November 13, 2020, the Board approved a Waiver of the Consultant Selection process and authorized the University to proceed with architectural services utilizing the firm of LIVE Design Group, Inc., of Birmingham, Alabama ("LIVE Design"), accepting a final negotiated fee based on 6.2% of the cost of construction, equipment, and landscaping, plus $4,620 for additional services, less $5,000 for previous work performed; and

WHEREAS, responsible officials at the University have received renderings for the Stage III submittal and are recommending approval of said design; and

WHEREAS, the Project location and program have been reviewed and are consistent with the master plan, University Design Standards, and the principles contained therein; and

WHEREAS, the Project will be funded from the Office of Academic Affairs Reserves in the amount of $750,000, Central Reserves in the amount of $750,000, and the College of Continuing Studies Reserves in the amount of $7,625,000; and

WHEREAS, the Project will address $2,639,405 in campus deferred maintenance liability and provide for higher energy efficiency and efficient plant operations; and

WHEREAS, the budget for the Project remains as stipulated below:
BUDGET:

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**TOTAL PROJECT COST**

$9,125,000

*Contingency is based on 10% of the cost of construction, equipment, and landscaping.
**UA Project Management fee is based on 3% of the cost of construction, equipment, landscaping, and contingency.
*** Architect/Engineer fee is based on 6.2% of the cost of construction, equipment, and landscaping, plus $4,620 for additional services, less $5,000 for previous work performed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that the Stage III submittal for the Project is hereby approved.

Approving the proposed architectural design for the USGS Hydrologic Instrumentation Facility at UA (Stage III)

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the United States Geological Survey (USGS), an agency of The United States Department of Interior of the United States of America ("Government") has requested approval to construct and operate a Hydrologic Instrumentation Facility (HIF) ("Project") on The University of Alabama campus to be located North of Kirkbride Lane and East of North Campus Way; and

WHEREAS, the HIF has national responsibility for the design, testing, evaluation, repair, calibration, warehousing, and distribution of hydrologic instrumentation that supports accurate gauging, forecasting, and modeling of waterway flows; and

WHEREAS, locating the HIF on the campus of the University will further position the University as the preeminent leader in water resource management and provide for numerous research, collaboration and learning opportunities for students and faculty. USGS has a stated need to increase the pipeline of competent and prepared STEM staff members and having the facility on campus will enhance the opportunity for our students and enhance and facilitate technology transfer in the research and development of hydrologic
instrumentation and position the University strategically to bridge from conception to delivery and deployment of technology; and

WHEREAS, on December 10, 2020 The Executive Committee of The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama ("Board") authorized the University to execute an Easement with USGS to locate and operate the facility on campus; and

WHEREAS, the Easement included certain conditions and rights for benefit of the University including approval of the physical appearance of the facility by the Board in accordance with Board Rule 415; and

WHEREAS, accordingly responsible officials at the University have received renderings for the Stage III submittal and are recommending approval of said design; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that the Stage III submittal for the Project is hereby approved.

Granting authorization to negotiate Owner/Consultant Agreements; approving the revised project scope and budget; and approving the revised architectural design for the Peter Bryce Main Stabilization and Fit-out at UA (Stage II & Revised Stage III)

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in accordance with Board Rule 415, on September 13, 2013, The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama ("Board") approved The University of Alabama's ("University") 2013-2014 Annual Capital Development Plan that included the Stage I submittal for the Peter Bryce Main Stabilization and Fit-out project ("Project") for the Central Pavilion located on the Peter Bryce campus, as required by the original Bryce Campus Purchase Agreement, at a projected cost of $6,285,000; and

WHEREAS, on September 19, 2014, the Board approved the renderings for the Bryce Main building as part of the Peter Bryce Campus Building Demolition Project, which included retaining two of the three wards on the east and west wings and removing the 1948 surgery additions; and

WHEREAS, on February 6, 2015, the Board approved a Revised Budget from $6,285,000 to $20,000,000 to include the stabilization of the East and West wards to prepare them for future University use; and

WHEREAS, on February 6, 2015, in accordance with Board Rule 415, the University received approval to negotiate a contract with Birchfield Penuel and Associates for this Project; and

WHEREAS, on April 10, 2015, the Board authorized the University to award all construction contracts for this Project to the lowest responsible bidders so long as the bids
for the construction contracts for the Project did not cause the total Project budget to exceed $20,000,000; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Title 39, State Bid Law of Alabama Code, on April 2, 2015, the University received competitive bids for Package A – Interior Demolition and Abatement and Britt Demolition, Inc., Hanceville, Alabama (Britt), was declared the lowest responsible bidder for the Project with an adjusted base bid amount of $1,272,000; and

WHEREAS, Britt’s final contract amount was $1,309,231 as reflected in the Project budget below; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Title 39, State Bid Law of Alabama Code, on December 6, 2016, the University received competitive bids for Package B – Exterior Demolition and Scaffolding and WAR Construction, Inc., Tuscaloosa, Alabama (WAR), was declared the lowest responsible bidder for the Project with a negotiated base bid amount of $1,954,721; and

WHEREAS, WAR’s final contract amount was $2,061,766 as reflected in the Project budget below; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Title 39, State Bid Law of Alabama Code, on October 27, 2020, the University received competitive bids for Package G – Central Stair and Vertical Circulation and WAR Construction, Inc., Tuscaloosa, Alabama (WAR), was declared the lowest responsible bidder for the Project with a base bid amount of $799,000 as the Project budget below; and

WHEREAS, on June 8, 2018, in order to ensure an efficient and cost-effective delivery of the future fit-out, the Board approved a Revised Scope to the Project to include Package C.2 – Fit-out Structure and Core MEP Systems, and to further separate scope into Package D – Scaffolding, and Package E – Masonry Point and Patch; and

WHEREAS, Package C.2 – Fit-out Structure and Core MEP Systems will include the initial Fit-out Infrastructure elements including, but not limited to, utility, fire protection, mechanical, electrical, plumbing, and structural components as necessary to accommodate the future fit-out of the building; and

WHEREAS, on June 8, 2018, in order to ensure comprehensive coordination between the stabilization and the future fit-out, the Board approved the advance of architectural design for the future fit-out package to 60%; and

WHEREAS, Package D – Scaffolding includes the University’s rental of the building scaffolding on the east and west wings required to repair the mortar and masonry and structurally support the building during the course of multiple packages; and

WHEREAS, Package E – Masonry Pointing and Patching will consist of repointing the masonry and patching the exposed masonry to restore the integrity of the walls and to protect the mortar and brick from further deterioration; and
WHEREAS, on June 8, 2018, the Board approved a Revised Budget from $20,000,000 to $40,000,000 to reflect the Revised Scope for inclusion of Package C.2 – Fit-out Structure and Core MEP Systems and associated design fees, and the final cost for Package A – Interior Demolition and Abatement (completed September 2015), the final cost for Package B – Exterior Demolition and Scaffolding (completed December 2017), the revised budget for Package C.1 – Stabilization to reflect unforeseen geotechnical conditions, and the replacement of the Central Pavilion roof; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to holistically complete the Bryce Main program the University is requesting approval for a Revised Scope to restructure Project package C.1 to include Stabilization, Fit-out-Infrastructure and Support Coordination, and Parking and Bus Pickup, and the reallocation of Package C.2 – Final Fit-out, Package C.3 – Demolition of East Wing, Package F – Carpentry, and Package G – Central Stair and Vertical Circulation; and

WHEREAS, Stabilization of Package C.1 will involve the stabilization of the west wing and central pavilion, provision of a new structure for the east wing, the replacement of the roof and roof structure, refurbishment of the front porches, window replacement, exterior skin replacement, masonry repair and replacement. Fit-out – Infrastructure and Support Coordination of Package C.1 will include infrastructure and coordination of both horizontal and vertical circulation plus building systems throughout the building and the fit-out of the entire first floor for the new Welcome Center and fit-out of the second-floor historical central pavilion. Parking and Bus Pickup of Package C.1 will consist of the construction of visitor handicapped parking, bus parking, and pickup area for student recruiting and the Welcome Center; and

WHEREAS, Package C.2 – Final Fit-out will entail balance to finish of the proposed “white boxes” located on the second, third, and fourth floors to be delivered in conjunction with the Performing Arts and Academic Center.

WHEREAS, Package C.3 – Demolition of East Wing will include the demolition of the east wing to make way for new composite structure and selective salvage of historical brick and wood; and

WHEREAS, Package F – Carpentry will consist of miscellaneous carpentry and framing to repair structural integrity of the Bryce Main building in preparation for the future C.1 package; and

WHEREAS, Package G – Central Stair and Vertical Circulation will consist of installation of the new central stairwell in the Historical Central Pavilion along with the supporting elevator shaft; and

WHEREAS, upon completion of negotiations for architectural services with Birchfield and Penual, the University has established a final fee based on information hereinto attached as Exhibit A; and
WHEREAS, the Consultant Selection Committee appointed by the University has completed Part I of the Consultant Selection Process in accordance with Board Rule 415 and negotiations will be conducted with the top ranked Commissioning Firm following approval as follows:

Ranking of Top Firms:
2. Environmental Systems Corporation, Huntsville, Alabama
3. Building Diagnostics and Property Science, LLC, Birmingham, Alabama

WHEREAS, the Consultant Selection Committee, appointed by the University has completed Part I of the Consultant Selection Process in accordance with Board Rule 415 and negotiations will be conducted with the top ranked Professional Services firm for Interactive Engagement Programming following approval as follows:

Ranking of Top Firms:
1. The Maude Group, LLC, Chicago, Illinois
2. Kahler Slater, Chicago, Illinois

WHEREAS, the University is requesting approval for a Revised Budget from $40,000,000 to $83,750,000 to reflect the Revised Scope, final negotiated architect fees and the revisions to associated soft costs, proposed commissioning fee, and proposed professional services fee; and

WHEREAS, the Capital Outlay is 2014 General Revenue Bonds in the amount of $27,646,584, 2017 General Revenue Bonds in the amount of $998,874, 2019 General Revenue Bonds in the amount of $30,495,322, Public Schools and College Authority (PSCA) funds in the amount of $21,838,122, and Central Reserves in the amount of $2,771,098; and

WHEREAS, the University is requesting approval of a revised visual appearance to reflect the proposed Bus drop off canopy, the additional connectivity between the Central Pavilion and East and West wings at the third floor, raising the East and West wings roof line to provide open space with raised ceilings on the third floor and the entry wall features at the approach to the building; and

WHEREAS, the Project location and program have been reviewed and are consistent with the University Campus Master Plan, University Design Standards and the principles contained therein; and

WHEREAS, the revised budget for the Project is as stipulated below:
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*Contingency is based on 10% of the total costs of Packages C.1, C.2, C.3, and G.

**UA Project Management Fee is based on 3% of the total costs of Packages A, B, C.1, C.2, C.3, E, F, G, Landscaping, and Contingency.

***Architect/Engineer Fee is based on a Lump Sum amount (Package A).

*Package has been bid and work is complete. No Contingency included on these Packages. Work Completed. Actual Contract Amount.

**Current Packages for Approval.**

NOW BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that The University of Alabama does hereby declare that it intends to allocate a portion of the proceeds of the Bonds to reimburse the Board for expenses incurred after the date that is no more than sixty days prior to the date of the adoption of this resolution, but prior to the issuance of the Bonds in connection with the acquisition, construction, and installment of the Project. This portion of this resolution is being adopted pursuant to the requirements of Treasury regulations Section 1.150-2(e).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that:

1. Stuart R. Bell, President, Matthew M. Fajack; Vice President for Finance and Operations and Treasurer; or, those officers named in the most recent Board Resolutions granting signature authority for The University of Alabama be, and each
hereby is, authorized to act for and on behalf of the Board of Trustees to execute an agreement for commissioning services with Sain Engineering Associates, Inc., Birmingham, Alabama, in accordance with Board Rule 415 for this Project.

2. Stuart R. Bell, President, Matthew M. Fajack; Vice President for Finance and Operations and Treasurer; or, those officers named in the most recent Board Resolutions granting signature authority for The University of Alabama be, and each hereby is, authorized to act for and on behalf of the Board of Trustees to execute an agreement for professional services with The Maude Group, LLC., Chicago, Illinois, in accordance with Board Rule 415 for this Project.

3. The Revised visual appearance is hereby approved.

4. The Revised Scope and Budget for the Project as stipulated above are hereby approved.

Approving the preliminary project scope and budget for the University Services Campus Community Safe Room at UA (Stage I)

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the University Services Campus Community Safe Room project ("Project") at The University of Alabama ("University") was approved for the Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant Program (PDMGP) through the Alabama Emergency Management Agency (AEMA); and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Board Rule 415, The University of Alabama is requesting approval from The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama ("Board") for a Stage I submittal; and

WHEREAS, the Project will consist of the construction of an approximately 14,732 gross square foot safe shelter suitable to accommodate 833 occupants during severe weather events; and

WHEREAS, this Project will be designed in accordance with the requirements of FEMA 361 and International Code Council (ICC) 500 and is to serve as a Tornado Safe Shelter for the intended occupants; and

WHEREAS, the Project location and program have been reviewed and are consistent with the Campus Master Plan, University Design Standards and the principles contained therein; and

WHEREAS, the Project will be developed and funded in partnership with the Alabama Department of Mental Health; and
WHEREAS, the total Project cost in the amount of $6,594,221 will be funded from the FEMA PDMGP in the amount of $2,099,964; Alabama Department of Mental Health in the amount of $3,597,678; and, Central Reserves in the amount of $896,579; and

WHEREAS, the preliminary budget for the Project is as stipulated:

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**TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET** $ 6,594,221

*Contingency is based on 5% of construction, site development and landscaping.
**UA Project Management fee is based on 3% of construction, site development, landscaping, and contingency.
***Architect/Engineer fee is based on 6.4% of construction, site development, and landscaping, plus $63,000 for FEMA documentation and $22,711 for reimbursable expenses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that:

1. The Stage I submittal package for the Project is hereby approved.

2. The preliminary budget for the Project as stipulated above is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that The University of Alabama is authorized to act for and on behalf the Board of Trustees to execute all necessary agency and grant agreements required to support and execute the Project.

Granting authorization to execute Real Estate Sales Contracts for the disposition of six (6) lots in the Edenwood Subdivision of Hueytown, AL and one (1) parcel in the Riverside Drive Subdivision of Tuscaloosa, AL.
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The University of Alabama ("University") has been carefully and purposefully evaluating the property inventory and identified several properties appropriate to dispose of due to the need to realize a return on the asset or as the property has limited potential use or benefit to the University; and

WHEREAS, The University proposes to dispose of the parcels as enumerated in Exhibit B – Schedule of Properties ("Exhibit B"), and for each to be considered on its own merit and collectively dispose of these de minimis properties; and

WHEREAS, in 1995, Dr. Robert A. and Jamie M. Thacker gifted thirteen (13) lots located in the Edenwood Subdivision ("Edenwood"), in Hueytown, Alabama ("Lots") to the University and seven (7) of the lots remain; and

WHEREAS, these Lots were listed for sale with Keller Williams Realty, Hoover, Alabama, at a Broker's opinion price of between $1,000 and $5,000 per lot; and

WHEREAS, the proceeds from the sales of these Lots will be used to endow the Jamie Mosley Thacker Endowed Scholarship; and

WHEREAS, The University proposes to dispose of the Riverside Drive Subdivision Remnant Parcel as it is no longer contiguous to the University of Alabama and the size of the lot (+/- .03 acres/1307 square feet) precludes any benefit or possible use by the University; and

WHEREAS, The University hereby requests that each transaction be considered on its own merit and that the Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama collectively consider and approve the dispositions as enumerated in Exhibit B; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that Stuart R. Bell, President; Matthew M. Fajack, Vice President for Finance and Operations and Treasurer; or, those officers named in the most recent Board Resolution granting signature authority for The University of Alabama be, and hereby are, authorized to act for and on behalf of The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama to accept the Land Sales Agreements, and they are, further authorized and empowered to do any and all things necessary and desirable to carry out the terms and conditions of said Land Sales Agreements, as enumerated in Exhibit B-Schedule of Properties, for and on behalf of The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama.

Approving the proposed architectural design for the Renovation of the Physical Education Building for a Basketball Practice Facility at UAB (Stage III)
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, UAB has proposed a project to renovate portions UAB’s Physical Education Building (Gym), located at 608 13th Street South on the UAB Campus, to create a contemporary and consolidated practice and training facility for UAB’s women’s and men’s intercollegiate basketball programs (Programs); and

WHEREAS, on September 17, 2020, The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama approved the Stage II (architect ranking, project scope, and project budget) submittal for the project; and

WHEREAS, the project will extensively renovate approximately 23,101 gross square feet (GSF) of the Gym to provide a regulation sized basketball practice court, designed to meet the same standards as the competition venues in which the Programs will compete; and

WHEREAS, the renovation will include new coaches and administrative offices, administrative support spaces, locker rooms, team meeting and film rooms, and player study areas and lounges within the Gym; and

WHEREAS, the renovation will also add air conditioning to the Gym; and will repair or replace the building’s mechanical, electrical, plumbing, and life-safety systems as required to bring them into compliance with current codes; and

WHEREAS, the project will construct an addition to the Gym, with approximately 614 GSF, to house a new building entrance lobby and elevator on the western side of the Gym; and

WHEREAS, the University has provided renderings of the project in accordance with Board Rule 415; and

WHEREAS, the Project will be funded by gifts;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that:

1. The Stage III submittal for the project is hereby approved.

2. The University of Alabama at Birmingham is hereby authorized to proceed with the planning and design of the project in accordance with appropriate provisions of Board Rule 415.

Granting authorization to negotiate an Owner/Consultant Agreement for the Expansion of Central Utility Systems to the Cultural District at UAB (Stage II)
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, UAB currently operates one central steam plant and three central utilities plants which provide economical and reliable centralized heating and cooling utility service to numerous facilities within the medical center, research, and academic districts through centralized distribution systems; and

WHEREAS, these central steam and chilled water generation and distribution systems (Systems) currently have capacity, which, if utilized, could reduce energy consumption and maintenance costs across the UAB Campus; and

WHEREAS, to make effective use of existing capacity in the Systems, reduce energy consumption across the campus, reduce maintenance costs, increase redundancy, and provide higher quality and more consistent utility service across the campus, UAB has created a central utilities master plan which will expand the Systems and connect all major facilities on UAB’s main campus to the Systems; and

WHEREAS, the Education and Engineering Complex (EEC), the Alys Robinson Stephens Center (Stephens Center), and the William Hansell & Susan Mabry Hulsey Center for Arts and Humanities (Hansell/Hulsey Center) currently utilize a combination of stand-alone boilers, chillers, and direct exchange air handling units (DX units) to provide required heating and cooling; and

WHEREAS, many of the existing boilers, chillers, and DX units are approaching the end of their useful lives, require significant labor and expense to maintain, and will require replacement in the near future; and

WHEREAS, the Systems do not currently extend far enough west or south to allow the EEC, Stephens Center, or the Hansell/Hulsey Center to tie into the Systems; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the central utilities master plan, UAB has initiated a project to extend these Systems to allow the EEC, the Stephens Center, and the Hansell/Hulsey Center to tie into the Systems; and

WHEREAS, the project will install approximately 1,200 linear feet (LF) each of new underground steam, condensate return, chilled water supply, and chilled water return piping (4,800 LF total); and

WHEREAS, the new piping will tie into the existing Systems at two separate points creating a utility service loop on the southwestern portion of campus, and will provide tie-in points in close proximity to the EEC, the Stephens Center, and the Hansell/Hulsey Center; and

WHEREAS, the new piping will also be designed to serve as a tie-in point for future planned expansions of the Systems to serve additional campus facilities; and
WHEREAS, on June 5, 2020, The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama (Board) approved the Stage I submittal for the project at their regularly scheduled meeting; and

WHEREAS, utilizing Board Rule 415 Architectural Selection Criteria, the University appointed a consultant selection committee (CSC) to interview firms to act as the engineer of record for the project; and

WHEREAS, the CSC interviewed four firms to serve as the engineer of record for the project and ranked the top three in the following order for negotiations: Walter Schoel Engineering of Birmingham, Alabama; Burns & McDonnell of Raleigh, North Carolina; and Edmonds Engineering of Birmingham, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, the University must now request approval to negotiate an equitable owner/engineer agreement consistent with the size, scope, and complexity of the project as outlined in Board Rule 415; and

WHEREAS, the Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration and the Chair of the Physical Properties Committee have approved the submission of the engineer of record rankings to the Board for review and approval; and

WHEREAS, the project will be funded by proceeds of a future UAB bond issue (Bonds); and

WHEREAS, officials at UAB have determined that Board will incur certain costs in connection with the acquisition, construction, and installation of the project prior to the issuance of the Bonds, and the Board intends to allocate a portion of the proceeds of the Bonds to reimburse the Board for certain costs incurred in connection with the acquisition, construction, and installation of the project paid prior to the issuance of the Bonds; and

WHEREAS, the project budget is established as follows:

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**TOTAL PROJECT COST** $10,000,000

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that:

1. Allen Bolton, Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration, or those officers named in the most recent Board Resolution granting signature authority
for The University of Alabama at Birmingham, are hereby authorized to act for and in the name of The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama in negotiating terms of an owner/engineer agreement, in accordance with Board Rule 415, with the below listed firms in the following order and thereafter advising the Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration of The University of Alabama System and the Chair of the Physical Properties Committee of the negotiated results.

1) Walter Schoel Engineering of Birmingham, Alabama
2) Burns & McDonnell of Raleigh, North Carolina
3) Edmonds Engineering of Birmingham, Alabama

2. The Stage II submittal for the Project is hereby approved.

3. The University of Alabama at Birmingham is hereby authorized to proceed with the design of the project in accordance with appropriate provisions of Board Rule 415.

4. The Board does hereby declare that it intends to allocate a portion of the proceeds of the Bonds to reimburse the Board for expenses incurred after the date that is no more than sixty days prior to the date of the adoption of this resolution, but prior to the issuance of the Bonds in connection with the acquisition, construction, and installation of the project. This portion of this resolution is being adopted pursuant to the requirements of the Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-2(e).

Approving the preliminary project scope and budget for the Addition and Renovation to the 501 Building for an Autonomous Vehicle Mobility Research Facility at UAB

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, UAB’s School of Engineering (Engineering) has recently been awarded a series of seven grants by the United States Department of Defense; and

WHEREAS, these grants will support research into the development of autonomous off-road vehicles for military and civilian applications; and

WHEREAS, these grants will provide approximately $31,500,000 in research funding over the course of four years; and

WHEREAS, this is the largest grant award received to date by Engineering; and

WHEREAS, to complete this research, UAB will need to develop a Simulator of Autonomous Mobility (SAM) facility, which will consist of an experimental tire test facility and an autonomous vehicle virtual modeling and simulation environment; and

WHEREAS, the SAM will be the initial component of a more comprehensive autonomous vehicle mobility research facility, which, in addition to the SAM, will eventually
include: a natural and artificial intelligence lab, a physical and virtual sensor lab, an autonomous mobility simulation lab, an autonomous system design lab, and a real-time terramechanics lab (Labs); and

WHEREAS, the University needs to rapidly develop the SAM to meet the research requirements of the grant awards, and will pursue the development of the remaining Labs in the near future as additional research funding becomes available; and

WHEREAS, the University has evaluated numerous development alternatives to meet the space requirements of the SAM; and

WHEREAS, the evaluation determined that due to the industrial nature of the required research space, and the unique logistical requirements of the SAM, the University does not have existing space suitable to conduct this research; and

WHEREAS, the University has determined that an addition to, and renovation of portions of, the 501 Building would provide the most efficient and economical means of providing the required research space; and

WHEREAS, the 501 Building was constructed in 1973 as a warehouse facility at 501 12th Street South and has approximately 67,046 gross square feet (GSF) of space; and

WHEREAS, the University acquired the 501 Building in 2001 and, since that time, has it for a variety of purposes including instructional space, research space, and long-term storage space; and

WHEREAS, the eastern portion of the 501 Building has most recently been utilized for long-term storage and, with recent efforts to consolidate and streamline operations, this space has become under-utilized and is now available for renovation and re-use; and

WHEREAS, to support this important research initiative, the University is now proposing a project to renovate portions of, and construct an addition to, the 501 Building to create the SAM; and

WHEREAS, the project will extensively renovate approximately 5,200 GSF of the eastern portion of the 501 Building to house the autonomous vehicle virtual modeling and simulation environment server and support areas as well as the experiment preparation areas; and

WHEREAS the project will also construct an addition to the 501 Building with approximately 8,300 GSF of space to house the experimental tire test equipment; and

WHEREAS, the addition to the 501 Building will be a structural steel, high-bay open laboratory facility, with a 5-ton bridge crane to service the tire test equipment; and

WHEREAS, the project will be funded by proceeds of a future UAB bond issue; and
WHEREAS, officials at UAB have determined that The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama (Board) will incur certain costs in connection with the acquisition, construction, and installation of the project prior to the issuance of the bonds, and the Board intends to allocate a portion of the proceeds of the bonds to reimburse the Board for certain costs incurred in connection with the acquisition, construction, and installation of the project paid prior to the issuance of the bonds; and

WHEREAS, the preliminary project budget is established as follows:

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that:

1. The Stage I submittal for the project is hereby approved.

2. The University of Alabama at Birmingham is authorized to proceed with the planning for the project in accordance with the provisions of Board Rule 415.

3. The Board does hereby declare that it intends to allocate a portion of the proceeds of the bonds to reimburse the Board for expenses incurred after the date that is no more than sixty days prior to the date of the adoption of this resolution, but prior to the issuance of the bonds in connection with the acquisition, construction, and installation of the project. This portion of this resolution is being adopted pursuant to the requirements of the Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-2(e).

Approving the preliminary project scope and budget for the New Child Development Center at UAB

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the UAB Child Care Center (UCCC) was constructed in 1993 at 1113 15th Street South on the UAB Campus; and
WHEREAS, the UCCC has 6,938 gross square feet (GSF) of space to accommodate 92 children of faculty and staff of UAB; and

WHEREAS, on-campus childcare is an extremely popular and highly sought after benefit for UAB employees and the UCCC has operated at capacity since it opened; and

WHEREAS, UAB has evaluated on-campus childcare and determined that making childcare readily available to employees increases job satisfaction, improves retention, improves the ability to recruit top faculty and staff, and improves the overall work-life balance of faculty and staff with small children; and

WHEREAS, due to the UCCC’s limited capacity and the increasing demand for on-campus childcare, there are currently over 250 children of UAB employees on the waiting list for enrollment in the UCCC; and

WHEREAS, this waiting list has resulted in extensive delays in enrollment, as well as increased cost and inconvenience for many employees as they are required to locate alternative childcare options off campus; and

WHEREAS, UAB has conducted a study to determine how best to increase the University’s on-campus childcare capacity; and

WHEREAS, this study evaluated the possibility of expanding the existing UCCC, renovating existing space in another building for use as a childcare facility, and the feasibility of constructing a new childcare facility; and

WHEREAS, the study determined that, due the age, configuration, and topography of the site, that an expansion of the existing UCCC would be difficult, expensive, and would yield an inefficient facility; and

WHEREAS, the study also determined that the University did not have available space, of adequate size and with the unique logistical and accessibility requirements required for a childcare facility, to renovate for a new childcare facility; and

WHEREAS, the study concluded that constructing a new childcare facility would be the most efficient and cost effective means of increasing on-campus childcare capacity; and

WHEREAS, to continue to support the faculty and staff of the University, improve employee morale and efficiency, and allow UAB to continue to recruit and retain the highest quality faculty and staff available, the University is proposing a project to design and construct a new Child Development Center (CDC); and

WHEREAS, the CDC will be located on available property adjacent to the existing UCCC and on the northeast corner of 12th Avenue South and 16th Street South; and

WHEREAS, the CDC will have approximately 15,000 GSF of space, on a single floor, to accommodate approximately two hundred children; and
WHEREAS, the building will house childcare classroom space, childcare support space, office and administrative space, as well as outdoor recreation and playground spaces; and

WHEREAS, the proposed location of the CDC places it on the southern edge of campus which will facilitate convenient drop-off and pick-up of children; and

WHEREAS, the proposed CDC site is the current location of the Birmingham Regional Emergency Medical Services System (BREMSS) building; and

WHEREAS, the BREMSS building, located at 1114 16th Street South, was constructed in 1985 with 4,157 GSF of space on a single floor; and

WHEREAS, the BREMSS building has housed a jointly operated emergency call center, which is now being relocated to a site better suited for the unique operational needs of an emergency call center; and

WHEREAS, due to the age, minimal size, and outdated configuration of the BREMSS building, the University has determined that it is an inefficient use of valuable and limited real estate and that the University has no future programmed use for the building; and

WHEREAS, to prepare the site for the new CDC, the project will demolish the BREMSS building; and

WHEREAS, the project will be funded by proceeds of a future UAB bond issue and Central/Institutional B&E/Plant Reserves; and

WHEREAS, officials at UAB have determined that The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama (Board) will incur certain costs in connection with the acquisition, construction, and installation of the project prior to the issuance of the bonds, and the Board intends to allocate a portion of the proceeds of the bonds to reimburse the Board for certain costs incurred in connection with the acquisition, construction, and installation of the project paid prior to the issuance of the bonds; and

WHEREAS, the preliminary project budget is established as follows:

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WHEREAS, the 2015 UAB Campus Master Plan Foundation Document does not currently reflect a Child Development Center on the site;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that:

1. The Stage I submittal for the project is hereby approved.

2. The University of Alabama at Birmingham is authorized to proceed with the planning for the project in accordance with the provisions of Board Rule 415.

3. The UAB Campus Master Plan is hereby amended to include the Child Development Center located on the northeast corner of 12th Avenue South and 16th Street South.

4. The Board does hereby declare that it intends to allocate a portion of the proceeds of the bonds to reimburse the Board for expenses incurred after the date that is no more than sixty days prior to the date of the adoption of this resolution, but prior to the issuance of the bonds in connection with the acquisition, construction, and installation of the project. This portion of this resolution is being adopted pursuant to the requirements of the Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-2(e).

Granting authorization to execute a Real Estate Sales Contract for the disposition of three parcels (26.7 acres) in the Oxmoor area (Oxmoor properties)

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in March 1995, The University of Alabama at Birmingham (the "University") and the UAB Research Foundation (the "Foundation") received land from the City of Birmingham for the development of a research park located in the Oxmoor area along Lakeshore Parkway in Birmingham, Alabama (the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, the Property is not currently being used and will not be utilized for University expansion, development, or occupancy, and is further not a part of the long-range master plan of the University; and

WHEREAS, the University and the Foundation now desires to sell the Property so that the proceeds may be utilized for the benefit of the University and the Foundation; and

WHEREAS, the University and Foundation have reached a tentative agreement to sell this Property for $2,150,000 to Tynes Development Corporation contingent upon approval by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama; and

WHEREAS, the University and Foundation have made a concerted effort to market this Property in accordance with the provisions of Board Rule 415, and considers the above
referenced offer of $2,150,000 fair and reasonable based on the existing condition of the Property and its appraised value;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that Allen Bolton, Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration, or those officers named in the most recent Board Resolutions granting signature authority for The University of Alabama at Birmingham, are hereby authorized to act for and in the name of The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama in executing the necessary documents to effect the sale of the Property to Tynes Development Corporation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the University be authorized to take other actions necessary to complete the sale of the Property on behalf of The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama.

Granting authorization to execute a fee-per-use (FPU) Agreement with Intuitive Surgical for the use of two (2) DaVinci Xi Dual Console Surgical Robots for University Hospital

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, University Hospital, an operating entity managed by UAB Health System, in furtherance of its mission to provide a continuum of health services of the highest quality, performs minimally invasive surgical procedures in the North Pavilion and Highlands that require modern robotic technology; and

WHEREAS, University Hospital has determined the need to replace two Da Vinci model Si robots that are at end of useful life; and

WHEREAS, University Hospital has determined that the Intuitive Surgical Da Vinci model Xi robots will align with our existing robotic surgery program, and allow the Hospital to maintain and expand capacity, improve scheduling, and provide the best intra-operative technology to conduct minimally invasive surgeries; and

WHEREAS, Intuitive Surgical has proposed an Agreement for a seven year term under which it would provide for University Hospital’s use of two model Xi robots and associated hardware, software, and licenses (“Equipment”) for a fixed fee of $1,810 per use on condition that University Hospital performs a target number of procedures defined in the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, Intuitive Surgical will provide periodic on-site education and support on the proper operation of the Equipment, as well as provide necessary maintenance and service of the Equipment within the aforementioned fixed fee; and

WHEREAS, University Hospital will have the opportunity to upgrade the Equipment to the latest technology during the term of the Agreement for an upgrade price to be negotiated in good faith between University Hospital and Intuitive Surgical; and
WHEREAS, University Hospital has determined that the proposed Fee Per Use agreement with Intuitive Surgical is financially sound and best meets its need to provide state-of-the-art robotic technology to its patients; and

WHEREAS, the UAB Health System and the UAB Health System Authority Boards of Directors have each reviewed and recommend approval of this item;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama, that Ray L. Watts, President UAB, or his designee, is authorized to act for and in the name of the Board to enter into a Fee Per Use Agreement with Intuitive Surgical, Inc. for the use of the Equipment on terms substantially in accordance with the terms stated herein.

Approving the preliminary project scope and budget; providing authorization to execute an Owner/Architect Agreement for the Spragins Hall Interior Renovation at UAH (Stage I & Stage II)

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The University of Alabama in Huntsville is requesting approval to improve and upgrade Spragins Hall hereinafter identified as Spragins Hall Interior Renovation (the “Project”) at an estimated cost of $1,655,000; and

WHEREAS, updating aging facilities to current campus standards is identified as a short-range project in the 2016 UAH Campus Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Project is included as an Intercollegiate Athletics project in the 2020-21 Annual Consolidated Capital Projects and Facilities Report; and

WHEREAS, the Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration and the Chair of the Physical Properties Committee have authorized UAH to request approval from the Physical Properties Committee to waive the Stage II submittal and contract with Chapman Sisson Architects, Inc. to design and manage the project; and

WHEREAS, the Project will be funded from bond refinance savings1 and a gift from the UAH Foundation; and

WHEREAS, the preliminary budget for the Project is stipulated as follows:

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Preliminary Project Budget

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that:

1. The Stage I and II Submittals are hereby approved.

2. The Preliminary Budget is established as stipulated above.

3. Darren Dawson, President, or Todd M. Barré, Vice President for Finance and Administration, at The University of Alabama in Huntsville, is hereby authorized to act for and in the name of the Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama System in negotiating terms of an Owner/Architect Agreement in accordance with Board Rule 415, with Chapman Sisson Architects, Inc., and thereafter advising the Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration and the Chair of the Physical Properties Committee of the negotiated results.

4. The University of Alabama in Huntsville is hereby authorized to proceed with the planning of the Project in accordance with the provisions of Board Rule 415.

Approving the preliminary project scope and budget; providing authorization to use UA Campus Development Staff for design of the Superintendent House Restoration on the UA Bryce Campus (Stage I & Stage II)

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, an October 14, 2014 Memorandum of Understanding between The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama and the State of Alabama Historical Commission includes preservation requirements for the Peter Bryce Campus, including the stabilization and preservation of the façade and envelope of the Bryce Superintendent Home constructed circa 1913; and

WHEREAS, a renovated Superintendent House is a suitable location for special event space for the University of Alabama System; and
WHEREAS, given the University of Alabama Campus Development staff's unique ability to design and manage this restoration and to complete the project in advance of the fall of 2021, a waiver of the procedures applied to the selection of external consultants is appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the Project will be jointly funded by the University of Alabama System Office and the University of Alabama according to a Memorandum of Understanding between the two parties; and

WHEREAS, the preliminary budget for the Project is stipulated as follows:

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that:

1. The Stage I and II Submittals are hereby approved.
2. The Preliminary Budget is established as stipulated above.
3. The University of Alabama System Office is hereby authorized to proceed with the planning of the Project in accordance with the provisions of Board Rule 415 and to use the University of Alabama’s Campus Development staff to design and manage the project.

Trustee Brooks also reported that the Committee was provided with the 2020 UAB Campus Master Plan Update. A presentation and resolution requesting approval of the plan will be presented at a future meeting.

Pro tem Starnes thanked Trustee Brooks for her report and recognized Trustee Harris Morrissette for a report from the Academic Affairs and Student Affairs Committee.
Trustee Morrissette reported that the Academic Affairs and Student Affairs Committee met today and considered 48 agenda items, all of which the Committee unanimously recommended for approval. Trustee Morrissette moved for their approval by the Board, which was seconded by Trustee Vandervoort. Pro tem Starnes asked if there were questions or comments concerning any of the items. Hearing none, Pro tem Starnes then called for a vote, and the following resolutions were unanimously adopted, separately and collectively:

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**Academic Affairs and Student Affairs Committee**

**February 5, 2021**
A Proposal for a B.S. Degree in Manufacturing Systems Engineering (CIP Code 14.3601)

- NISP approved September 18, 2020
- Manufacturing Systems Engineering
  - Provides technical and professional skills in advanced manufacturing, materials science, autonomous industrial hardware, and machine learning paradigms.
  - Includes practical applications ranging from manufacturing processes to cyber-physical systems.
  - Relates to high demand occupations such as industrial engineers, controls and robotic engineers, and materials engineers.
  - Prepares graduates for leadership positions in growing Alabama industries, such as automobile and aviation manufacturing.
  - Addresses needs for adequately trained engineering workforce in advance manufacturing.

A Proposal for a B.S. Degree in Manufacturing Systems Engineering (CIP Code 14.3601)

- Manufacturing Systems Engineering
  - Is a STEM-related degree identified to attract a higher number of women, minority and underrepresented students.
  - Creates opportunities for collaboration with Culverhouse College of Business, local business and industry, and the Alabama Technology Network, as well as Alabama Productivity Center.
  - Will be housed in the College of Engineering’s Department of Mechanical Engineering, which is the largest in Alabama with one of the few accredited distance engineering programs in the U.S.
Granting Approval of and Permission to Submit to the Alabama Commission on Higher Education (ACHE) a Proposal for a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) Degree in Manufacturing Systems Engineering (CIP Code 14.3601) in the Department of Mechanical Engineering in the College of Engineering at UA

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Notification of Intent to Submit a Proposal (NISP) for a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree in Manufacturing Systems Engineering (CIP Code 14.3601) was approved by the Board of Trustees on September 17, 2020; and

WHEREAS, manufacturing today accounts for 12 percent of the U.S. economy, manufactured goods comprise half of U.S. exports, and the strength of American manufacturing carries implications for the country’s entire economy and national security; and

WHEREAS, an adequately trained engineering workforce knowledgeable in advanced manufacturing and materials scientific principles as well as in cutting-edge manufacturing processes and systems is needed to ensure that the manufacturing sector continues to be a driving force for economic development in Alabama; and

WHEREAS, the existing Mechanical Engineering program will continue to offer a Bachelor of Science Mechanical Engineering degree, the Manufacturing Systems Engineering degree will provide students with the skills and knowledge needed for successful careers in both conventional manufacturing systems and processes as well as in cyber-enabled, smart, robotic and automated manufacturing systems; and

WHEREAS, the Manufacturing Systems Engineering (B.S.) program will utilize existing courses, faculty, and other resources;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it grants approval of and permission to submit to the Alabama Commission on Higher Education (ACHE) a Proposal for a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree in Manufacturing Systems Engineering (CIP Code 14.3601) in the Department of Mechanical Engineering in the College of Engineering at The University of Alabama.

Granting Approval of Recommended Updates for Board of Trustees Approved Centers and Institutes at UA

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The University of Alabama has numerous centers and institutes that have been previously reviewed and approved through Board Rule 503; and

WHEREAS, there has been justified need to change the name of the center or institute, close the center or institute, or change the reporting channel for the center or institute; and

WHEREAS, these changes have not been previously documented; and

WHEREAS, the Office for Research & Economic Development and the Office for Academic Affairs now wish to jointly document these changes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it grants approval for the following changes to fourteen of its existing centers and centers:

Change the name of the Alabama Bar Institute for Continuing Legal Education (CLE) to CLE ALABAMA;

Change the name of the Belser-Parton Reading Center to the Belser-Parton Literacy Center;

Change the name of the Betsy Plank Center for Public Relations Studies to the Plank Center for Leadership in Public Relations;

Change the name of the Institute for Rural Services and Research to the Center for Community-Based Partnerships;

Change the name of the Manpower and Industrial Relations Institute to the Human Resources Institute;

Change the name of the Francis S. Summersell Center for Southern History to the Francis S. Summersell Center for the Study of the South;

Close the Alabama Innovation and Mentoring of Entrepreneurs Center;
Close the Center for Southern History and Culture;
Close the Institute for Water Science, Policy, and Law;
Close the S. Paul Garner Center for Current Accounting Issues;
Close the Hess Institute for Retailing Development;
Close the Center for Ethics & Social Responsibility;

Change of the reporting channel of the William R. Bennett Alabama International Trade Center from the Culverhouse College of Business to the Office for Research and Economic Development;

Change the reporting channel of the Center for Economic Development from the Culverhouse College of Business to the Office for Research and Economic Development;

Change the reporting channel of the Alabama Small Business Development Center from Culverhouse College of Business to the Office for Research and Economic Development;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of the Board and copies be sent to appropriate personnel of The University of Alabama.


RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, student employment needs require a more flexible degree in curriculum and instruction; and

WHEREAS, the UA Board of Trustees approved new Ed.D. and Ph.D. degrees in Curriculum and Instruction (CIP Code 13.0301) on Sept. 18, 2020 to replace the four degrees to be deleted; and

WHEREAS, students will no longer be admitted to the Ed.D. and Ph.D. in Elementary Education or the Ed.D. and Ph.D. in Secondary Education;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it grants approval of and permission to notify ACHE as an information item the deletions of the following programs from the ACHE Academic Program Inventory for The University of Alabama: the Doctor of Education (Ed.D.) degree in Elementary Education (CIP Code 13.1202), Doctor of Education (Ed.D.) degree in Secondary Education (CIP Code 13.1205), Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree in Elementary Education (CIP Code 13.1202), and the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree in Secondary Education (CIP Code 13.1205) from the ACHE Academic Program Inventory for The University of Alabama.

Granting Approval of and Permission to Submit to the Alabama Commission on Higher Education (ACHE) as an Information Item of the Deletion of the Bachelor of Science Athletic Training (B.S.A.T.) Degree Program (CIP Code 51.0913) from the ACHE Academic Program Inventory at UA

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE) has determined that the professional degree for Athletic Training must be at the graduate level; and

WHEREAS, baccalaureate programs may not admit, enroll or matriculate students into the CAATE-accredited athletic training program after the start of fall term 2022; and

WHEREAS, the College of Human Environmental Sciences is transitioning to the Master of Science in Athletic Training (M.S.A.T.), which was approved by the UA Board of Trustees and ACHE in June 2020; and

WHEREAS, students will no longer be admitted to the B.S.A.T. following the Fall 2021 term; and

WHEREAS, students enrolled by Fall 2021 will complete their degree with no changes in their academic plans by May 2024;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it grants approval of and permission to notify ACHE as an information item of the deletion of the Bachelor of Science Athletic Training (B.S.A.T.) degree program (CIP Code 51.0913) from the ACHE Academic Program Inventory for The University of Alabama.

Granting Approval of and Permission to Submit to the Alabama Commission on Higher Education (ACHE) as an Information Item a Proposal for Altering the Concentration Title of the Existing Concentration in Applied Communication in the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Communication and Information Sciences (CIP Code 09.0199) Degree Program to Concentration in Advertising & Public Relations in the College of Communication and Information Sciences at UA

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the College of Communication and Information Sciences currently offers a multidisciplinary college-wide doctoral program; and

WHEREAS, the program includes a Concentration in Applied Communication that is primarily facilitated by Advertising & Public Relations departmental faculty; and

WHEREAS, changing the title to Concentration in Advertising & Public Relations will more accurately reflect the expertise of the faculty, the primary student learning outcomes, and appropriate placements of graduates; and

WHEREAS, the alteration of the title will bolster recruitment among individuals with diverse interests related to advertising and public relations; and

WHEREAS, changing the title will not impact the primary character or outcomes of the existing program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it grants approval of and permission to submit to the Alabama Commission on Higher Education (ACHE) as an information item a proposal for altering the title of the Concentration in Applied Communication to the Concentration in Advertising & Public Relations in the existing Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree in Communication and Information Sciences (CIP Code 09.0199) in the College of Communication and Information Sciences at The University of Alabama.

Granting Approval of the Appointment of David L. Albright, Ph.D., to the Hill Crest Foundation Endowed Academic Chair in Mental Health in the School of Social Work at UA

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on February 4, 2005, The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama, with gifts from the Hill Crest Foundation Inc., approved establishment of the Hill Crest Foundation Endowed Academic Chair in Mental Health in the School of Social Work at The University of Alabama (UA); and

WHEREAS, the School of Social Work has recommended the appointment of David L. Albright, Ph.D., to the Hill Crest Foundation Endowed Academic Chair in Mental Health in the School of Social Work; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Albright was granted a doctoral degree in Social Work from Florida State University in 2012, a Masters of Social Work degree from Florida State University in 2006, and received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Anthropology from Centre College in 1999; and
WHEREAS, Dr. Albright has made significant and lasting contributions to mental health teaching and research in the School of Social Work; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Albright holds an appointment as Professor of Social Work at The University of Alabama and was granted tenure in 2015; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Albright has a sustained and consistent record of research in the field of mental health, having authored over 70 refereed journal articles and secured over $20 million in extramural funding; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Albright has performed meritorious service to the School of Social Work above and beyond expectations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it approves appointment of David L. Albright, Ph.D., to the Hill Crest Foundation Endowed Academic Chair in Mental Health in the School of Social Work at The University of Alabama.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of the Board, and that copies be sent to David L. Albright, Ph.D., and to appropriate officials of The University of Alabama.

Granting Approval of the Appointment of David L. Albright, Ph.D. as a Distinguished Research Professor at UA

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The University of Alabama Board of Trustees may appoint Distinguished Research Professors recognizing international accomplishments and noteworthy academic service to The University of Alabama; and

WHEREAS, Dr. David L. Albright, Professor of Social Work and Hill Crest Foundation Endowed Chair in Mental Health Research at The University of Alabama, exemplifies this honorary distinction, having received international recognition for his contributions to the fields of military social work and social work mental health research; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Albright is a fellow in the American Academy of Social Work and Social Welfare; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Albright is an internationally recognized scholar considered among the top in his field by his peers, who describe him as the field of social work's “most prolific and eminent scholar regarding military social work” and describe his research as being on “the leading edge of knowledge development”; and
WHEREAS, Dr. Albright has authored over 125 refereed articles and secured over 25 million dollars in external funding for his research; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Albright’s impact is felt across the state and nation through his committed service to public policy and administrative leadership aimed at improving the health and well-being of vulnerable populations, underserved communities, and our country’s military veterans; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Albright exhibits an unstinting dedication to excellence and an exemplary character which reflect great honor upon the University;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it appoints Dr. David L. Albright a Distinguished Research Professor at The University of Alabama.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of the Board and copies be sent to appropriate personnel of The University of Alabama.

Granting Approval of the Appointment of Robert E. Nielsen, Ph.D., as the Helen M. Goetz Endowed Professor at UA

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama stipulates that the title of Helen M. Goetz Endowed Professor, which was established in February 2018, will be used to attract or retain a recognized scholar and expert in the Department of Consumer Sciences who will make a difference in the quality of teaching and research in the College of Human Environmental Sciences; and

WHEREAS, a Professor in the College of Human Environmental Sciences since 2017, Dr. Robert Nielsen has admirably served as chair of the Department of Consumer Sciences since his arrival to The University of Alabama; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Robert Nielsen received his Bachelor of Science degrees in Political Science and Consumer Studies and Family Economics from the University of Utah in 1993, Master of Science in Human Ecology from the University of Utah in 1999, and Doctor of Philosophy in Human Development & Family Studies from Iowa State University in 2004; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Robert Nielsen completed a post-doctoral fellowship in the Housing and Household Economic Statistics Division of the U.S. Census Bureau; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Robert Nielsen is nationally known for his expertise in the economic well-being of people who experience poverty, material hardship, and the research methods by which researchers and policymakers measure these constructs, and for his contributions
to academia and government, having authored or co-authored more than 74 published papers and abstracts in the most prestigious journals in the field; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Robert Nielsen has been awarded six external research and instruction grants totaling over $360,000 as principal or co-investigator; and

WHEREAS, since beginning his academic career in 2006, Dr. Robert Nielsen's academic contributions have been recognized by the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences with the 2010 Emerging Scholar Award, and by the American Council on Consumer Interests with the 2012 Mid-Career Award, and the 2018 Iowa State University College of Human Sciences Alumni Achievement Award; and

WHEREAS, social science journals have enjoyed Dr. Robert Nielsen's expertise as an editorial board member of the Journal of Consumer Affairs since 2006, and for nine years as an associate editor for the Family and Consumer Sciences Research Journal; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Robert Nielsen has a significant amount of teaching experience, having taught undergraduate and graduate courses in such areas as Consumer Economics, Consumer Analytics, Consumer Protection, and Family Resource Management at three state flagship universities across the nation; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Robert Nielsen provides outstanding service to professional organizations as a board member of the American Council on Consumer Interests, and on strategic planning boards for the Family and Consumer Sciences Research Journal and the American Council on Consumer Interests; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Robert Nielsen lends valuable support to students as both mentor and teacher, serving as chair on 8 theses and doctoral dissertations, and as a committee member on an additional 14 graduate student committees; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Robert Nielsen is highly respected by his colleagues in the Department of Consumer Sciences and the College of Human Environmental Sciences at The University of Alabama System;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it approves the appointment of Robert Nielsen, Ph.D., as the Helen M. Goetz Endowed Professor in the College of Human Environmental Sciences at The University of Alabama for a five-year term, renewable at the discretion of the Dean of the College.

Granting Approval of the Status of Professor of Law Emeritus for Steven Hobbs at UA

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the School of Law, after diligent evaluation and due deliberation, recommends by vote of its faculty the status of Professor of Law Emeritus for retired faculty member Professor Steven Hobbs; and
WHEREAS, Professor Hobbs served as a member of the School of Law faculty from 1997 to 2020; and

WHEREAS, Professor Hobbs, as a tenured member of the faculty and Tom Bevill Chairholder of Law, has provided outstanding instruction to students in the fields of Professional Responsibility, Family Law, Children’s Rights, Adoption Law, and Entrepreneurship; and

WHEREAS, Professor Hobbs’ scholarship has included noteworthy publications in the fields of Professional Responsibility, Adoption Law, Entrepreneurship, and Civil Rights, including law review articles in respected journals, book chapters, and contributions to symposia; and

WHEREAS, Professor Hobbs has represented the School of Law with distinction on numerous occasions, through scholarly presentations to audiences across the United States and in other nations; and

WHEREAS, Professor Hobbs has served The University of Alabama and the School of Law in countless ways, including as advisor to the Journal of the Legal Profession, and as chair or member of numerous faculty committees; and

WHEREAS, Professor Hobbs has served the legal profession in numerous capacities, including his work with the Association of American Law Schools and the National Conference of Bar Examiners; and

WHEREAS, the Dean of the School of Law recommends to the Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs for The University of Alabama that Professor Hobbs receive the status of Professor of Law Emeritus;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it approves the conferral of the status of Professor of Law Emeritus on retired faculty member Professor Steven Hobbs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of this Board and that copies be sent to the appropriate officials of The University of Alabama.

Granting Approval of the Appointment of Elizabeth Hibberd, Ph.D., as the Dr. A.E. Maumenee, Jr., Endowed Professor in Athletic Training at UA

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama stipulates that the title of Dr. A.E. Maumenee, Jr. Endowed Professor in Athletic Training will be bestowed by the Board only on faculty members who demonstrate the highest academic achievements; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Elizabeth Hibberd received her Bachelor of Arts in Athletic Training, Master of Arts in Athletic Training, and Doctor of Philosophy in Human Movement Science from The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 2008, 2010, and 2014, respectively; and

WHEREAS, an Associate Professor in the Department of Health Science in The College of Human Environmental Sciences at The University of Alabama, Dr. Elizabeth Hibberd is a recognized researcher for her expertise in shoulder injury and shoulder injury prevention in youth baseball players and for having authored or co-authored over 60 peer-reviewed published papers and abstracts in high-level journals in the field and 4 book chapters with over 50 professional presentations; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Elizabeth Hibberd serves as the Program Director for the Athletic Training Program in the College of Human Environmental Sciences at The University of Alabama providing oversight to all aspects of the nationally-recognized Athletic Training Program; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Elizabeth Hibberd is the assessment coordinator for the Athletic Training Program, which received the 2020 UA Provost's Assessment Award for their work in programmatic assessment; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Elizabeth Hibberd is a committed educator focusing on student learning and success evidenced by her recognition with the College of Human Environmental Sciences Joseph S. Rowland Teaching Excellence award in 2019; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Elizabeth Hibberd has a strong reputation as an advisor and mentor, having served on 15 dissertation or thesis committees, mentored over 10 students on independent research, and advised over 100 senior undergraduate students; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Elizabeth Hibberd contributes to The University of Alabama through her current appointments on the UA Undergraduate Council and University Recreation Risk Committee and previous appointments on the Provost Search Committee, Intercollegiate Athletics Committee, and Undergraduate Programs & Services Committee; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Elizabeth Hibberd is a leader in the profession of Athletic Training serving as the co-chair of the Southeast Athletic Trainers' Association Research and Education Committee and as a District IX representative on the National Athletic Trainers' Association Professional Development Committee; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Elizabeth Hibberd is devoted to advancing the profession of Athletic Training through education serving as the Continuing Education Chair for the Athletic Training Program and hosting a podcast through the Journal of Athletic Training that focuses on using evidence to guide clinical decisions; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Elizabeth Hibberd is steadfast in her commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusivity participating in Safe Zone Training, Harbor Training, and a variety of University-sponsored diversity seminars; and
WHEREAS, Dr. Elizabeth Hibberd is respected by colleagues in the Athletic Training Program and the Department of Health Science; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Elizabeth Hibberd is dedicated to the mission of The University of Alabama, College of Human Environmental Sciences, Department of Health Science, and the Athletic Training Program focusing on providing students with premier learning opportunities, advancing her profession through her research, serving the University, profession, and community, and committing to inclusivity in all aspects;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it approves the appointment of Elizabeth Hibberd, Ph.D., as the Dr. A.E. Maumenee, Jr., Endowed Professor in the College of Human Environmental Sciences at The University of Alabama for a five-year term, renewable at the discretion of the Dean of the College.

Granting Approval of the Appointment of Caryl A. Cooper, Ph.D., as Associate Professor Emerita of the Department of Advertising and Public Relations in the College of Communication and Information Sciences at UA

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Caryl A. Cooper, Ph.D., retired effective July 1, 2020, as Associate Professor of Advertising and Public Relations after 25 years of service to the College of Communication and Information Sciences and The University of Alabama; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cooper was hired by the College of Communication and Information Sciences in 1995 as an assistant professor, was promoted to associate professor in 2002; and

WHEREAS Dr. Cooper served as Assistant Dean of Undergraduate Studies in the College of Communication and Information Sciences for 9 years, overseeing College-wide recruitment, retention, accreditation, assessment, and diversity efforts; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cooper has been a dedicated teacher in settings that range from undergraduate courses to doctoral-level courses and her mentoring of numerous students has resulted in their maturation as advertising and public relations professionals and as scholars; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cooper contributed to the intellectual community of her department, college, university and academic discipline via her journalism history research which includes 20 invited and refereed research articles, 7 scholarly book chapters, 3 book reviews and nearly 40 national scholarly presentations; and

WHEREAS Dr. Cooper has received several university, local, regional, and nationals awards for her mentorship, teaching, advising, and service including the Kappa Tau Alpha Commitment to Teaching Award at the University of Alabama in both 2003 and 2009, the Cynthia J. Finch Mentoring Award in 2011 from the South Eastern Region of Alpha Kappa
Alpha Sorority, Inc., and the Stephen H. Coltrin Award for Excellence in Communications Education in 2000 sponsored by the International Radio & Television Foundation; and

WHEREAS Dr. Cooper was instrumental in the launch of the College’s Discerning Diverse Voices: Communication & Information Symposium on Diversity and served as the symposium coordinator from 2010-2013 and again in 2015; and

WHEREAS Dr. Cooper has served as a member of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication--the leading academic organization in her discipline--since 1993, and was selected based on her expertise to evaluate other AEJMC accredited programs across the nation as an external Accrediting Council Member from 2013-2016; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cooper's mentoring and service, and her teaching and advising excellence have contributed to the Department of Advertising and Public Relations being ranked among the top programs in the United States and has thereby improved the reputation of The University of Alabama’s College of Communication and Information Sciences;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it approves appointment of Caryl A. Cooper, Ph.D., as Associate Professor Emerita of the Department of Advertising and Public Relations in the College of Communication and Information Sciences at The University of Alabama.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it hereby expresses its appreciation to Caryl A. Cooper, Ph.D., for her exceptional contributions to her college, the University, and her academic field.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of the Board and copies be sent to Caryl A. Cooper, Ph.D., and appropriate personnel of The University of Alabama.

Granting Approval of the Appointment of Kathryn S. Oths as Professor Emerita of Anthropology in the Department of Anthropology in the College of Arts and Sciences at UA

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Professor Kathryn S. Oths retired from the department of anthropology on September 1, 2019, after 29 years of distinguished service to the department as a researcher, teacher, mentor, administrator, and colleague; and

WHEREAS, Professor Oths is a noted researcher in the field of medical anthropology, carrying out funded studies in Peru, Brazil, and the United States, and achieving a distinguished record of publication, including articles in Medical Anthropology Quarterly, American Journal of Human Biology, Social Science & Medicine, Annual Review of Anthropology, Ecology of Food and Nutrition, Epidemiology, and others, as well as
numerous book chapters, conference presentations, an edited volume, and, most recently, an award-winning film documenting the life of a traditional healer in the Peruvian Andes, which has been featured at documentary film festivals in France, Peru, and the United States; and

WHEREAS, Professor Oths has distinguished herself with important honors, including the Outstanding Commitment to Teaching Award from The University of Alabama Alumni Association; a Distinguished Teaching Fellowship from the College of Arts and Sciences; the Outstanding Commitment to Students Award from the College of Arts and Sciences; and The Kassen Lecture at Case Western Reserve University; and

WHEREAS, Professor Oths has made a significant contribution to the teaching of Anthropology at The University of Alabama, including the mentorship of a generation of students; being instrumental in the development of the Ph.D. program in the department of anthropology; and, serving on numerous graduate committees and directing doctoral dissertations; and

WHEREAS, the expertise of Professor Oths in teaching research methods in anthropology has been recognized nationally and internationally, leading to numerous sponsored workshops at professional meetings, international workshops by invitation (in Peru and Uganda), and in professional development courses sponsored by the National Science Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Professor Oths has committed herself throughout her career to the service of The University of Alabama, including eleven years formulating and implementing policies and procedures for evaluating complaints of sexual and other forms of harassment within the College of Arts and Sciences; serving on the Graduate Council; the Institutional Review Board for the Protection of Human Subjects; the Latin American Studies faculty and steering committee; the Women’s Studies faculty and advisory committee; other ad hoc University and College committees; and to the department of anthropology, including as Director of the Undergraduate Program; member of the Graduate Studies committee; Assessment Coordinator; and member of and chairing numerous faculty search committee; and

WHEREAS, Professor Oths has made substantial contributions not only to The University of Alabama department of anthropology but also to the larger University community and the City of Tuscaloosa, as recognized by her receipt of the Morris Lehman Mayer Award from The University of Alabama; Women Who Serve from the Girl Scouts of North Central Alabama; and Outstanding Board Member from Turning Point Domestic Violence Agency; and

WHEREAS, the faculty of the College of Arts and Sciences, including, especially, her colleagues and friends in the department of anthropology, wish to express their deep and sincere appreciation and gratitude to Professor Kathryn S. Oths for her contributions to the life of the department, the College, and the University and its students; to the State of Alabama; and to the advancement of the study of anthropology as taught in the public university;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it hereby approves the appointment of Professor Kathryn S. Oths as Professor Emerita of Anthropology in the College of Arts and Sciences and The University of Alabama, with all designated rights and privileges.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be recorded in the minutes of the Board, become a matter of public record, and that copies be given to Professor Oths and members of her family in grateful acknowledgment of her distinguished career as a researcher, teacher, administrator, and colleague.

Granting Approval of the Appointment of Jane Lumpkin Newman as Associate Professor Emerita in the Department of Special Education and Multiple Abilities in the College of Education at UA

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Jane L. Newman, Ed.D., has retired as Associate Professor as of August 2020; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Newman joined the faculty of The University of Alabama as an assistant professor of gifted education in 2001 and gifted education program coordinator from 2003-2018 and director of Summer Enrichment Workshop from 2003-2019 in the Department of Special Education and Multiple Abilities; and

WHEREAS, prior to joining The University of Alabama, Dr. Newman served as an educator for 53 years in various capacities such as principal at Vestavia Hills High School, assistant superintendent at Vestavia City School, director of instruction at Mountain Brook City Schools, adjunct instructor at UAB, coordinator of gifted and science education at Mountain Brook City Schools, schoolwide enrichment specialist at Cherokee Bend School, gifted teacher in the Marshall County School System, piano teacher, and classroom teacher; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Newman is a 2019 recipient of the Albertville High School Distinguished Alum; the 2015 Council on Community Based Partnership Outstanding Faculty Service Award, the 2014 Nellie Rose McCrory Faculty Excellence Award in Teaching, and the 1986 University of Florida Mathematics Teaching Assistant of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Newman has written over 37 peer-reviewed publications and given over 100 presentations; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Newman secured nearly $2.1 million in grant funding; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Newman served on the editorial review board of the *Journal of Community Engagement and Scholarship*, the *International Journal for Research in Service-Learning and Community Engagement*, the *Journal of Special Education*
Apprenticeship, the Teaching and Teacher Education Journal, and the International Journal of Education Policy and Leadership; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Newman provided service to several Alabama professional organizations including the ALSDE Gifted Programming Board, a board member for the Alabama Association for Curriculum and Supervision, a board member for the Alabama Association for Professional Development, a board member for the Alabama Association for Gifted Education, an executive board member for the Alabama Federation Council of Exceptional Children; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Newman was a member of the International Association for Research on Service-Learning and Community Engagement, the National Association for Gifted Children, the Alabama Association for Gifted Children, the National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity, the Academic Author, the American Educational Research Association, the National Staff Development Council, the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Newman has positively impacted the profession of gifted education at the state and national levels; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Newman holds a B.A. in English with minors in history and music from Birmingham-Southern College, a M.A. in anthropology/archaeology and a M.A. in gifted education from The University of Alabama, an Ed.S. in gifted education from The University of Alabama, and an Ed.D. in educational leadership from The University of Alabama;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama recognizes the outstanding accomplishments that Jane L. Newman has made in her career and for the College of Education.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of the Board and that copies be sent to Associate Professor Emerita Jane L. Newman and a copy be placed in the library of The University of Alabama.

Granting Approval of the Appointment of Joseph E. Phelps, Ph.D., as Professor Emeritus of the Department of Advertising and Public Relations in the College of Communication and Information Sciences at UA

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Joseph E. Phelps, Ph.D., retired effective January 1, 2021, as Professor of Advertising and Public Relations after 30.5 years of service to the College of Communication and Information Sciences and The University of Alabama; and
WHEREAS, Dr. Phelps was hired by the College of Communication and Information Sciences in 1990 as an assistant professor, was promoted to associate professor in 1997, and promoted again to professor in 2002; and

WHEREAS Dr. Phelps served as the chair of the Department of Advertising and Public Relations for 10 years, increasing the department’s size from 1,000 to more than 1,400 student majors; and

WHEREAS in eight of the 10 years under his leadership the Department was recognized as being among the top five PR Education programs in the United States by PRWeek Magazine and the Advertising program was ranked among the top 10 in the United States; and

WHEREAS Dr. Phelps was elected by his peers to numerous leadership positions in scholarly associations (e.g., President of the American Academy of Advertising and Head of the Advertising Division of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication); and

WHEREAS Dr. Phelps has served on the editorial review boards of numerous scholarly journals, including the Journal of Advertising, the International Journal of Advertising, the Journal of Interactive Advertising, the Journal of Public Policy & Marketing, the Journal of Current Issues & Research in Advertising, the International Journal of Internet Marketing and Advertising, the Newspaper Research Journal, and the Journal of Advertising Education; and

WHEREAS Dr. Phelps is to this day the only advertising and/or marketing faculty member, while serving at The University of Alabama, to be named a Fellow of the American Academy of Advertising, the highest research honor in his field; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Phelps’ research has earned approximately 5,000 citations and has been recognized by his peers in the College of Communication and Information Sciences with the Knox Hagood Faculty Award and recognized nationally as outstanding by the Direct Marketing Educational Foundation and the American Academy of Advertising; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Phelps has served as editor of two proceedings and co-editor of one proceeding, authored 33 scholarly refereed journal articles, and delivered 26 refereed scholarly papers as well as countless invited presentations at conventions of national and international scholarly associations; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Phelps’ student advising has been recognized for excellence by The University of Alabama and the Direct Marketing Educational Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Phelps has been a dedicated teacher in settings that range from undergraduate courses to doctoral courses and his mentoring of numerous students has resulted in their maturation as advertising and public relations professionals and as scholars; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Phelps has taught at least 150 students a year and in some years as many as 300 students, has taught a total of more than 7,500 students during his 30 years at The University of Alabama and also touched the lives of thousands more in his 10 years serving as Department Chair; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Phelps’ research productivity, his administrative leadership, his service to scholarly associations, and his teaching and advising excellence have contributed to the Department of Advertising and Public Relations being ranked among the top programs in the United States and has thereby improved the reputation of The University of Alabama’s College of Communication and Information Sciences;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it approves appointment of Joseph E. Phelps, Ph.D., as Professor Emeritus of the Department of Advertising and Public Relations in the College of Communication and Information Sciences at The University of Alabama.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it hereby expresses its appreciation to Joseph E. Phelps, Ph.D., for his exceptional contributions to his college, the University, and his academic field.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of the Board and copies be sent to Joseph E. Phelps, Ph.D., and appropriate personnel of The University of Alabama.

Granting Approval of the Appointment of Keith Jacobi as Professor Emeritus of Anthropology in the Department of Anthropology in the College of Arts and Sciences at UA

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Professor Keith Jacobi retired from the department of anthropology on September 1, 2020, after over 25 years of distinguished service to the department as a teacher, researcher, mentor, administrator, and colleague; and

WHEREAS, Professor Jacobi is a noted bioarchaeologist and forensic anthropologist, with a particular scholarly focus on Southeastern U.S. and Mesoamerican (Maya) prehistory, having published two books and over 30 articles or book chapters; and

WHEREAS, Professor Jacobi has repeatedly employed his skills as a forensic anthropologist to the benefit of the people of the State of Alabama, working with law enforcement organizations throughout the State, resulting in over 70 case reports and consultations wherein he assisted in the identification of human remains, and multiple forensic analysis workshops; and

WHEREAS, Professor Jacobi has mentored a generation of graduate students in bioarcheology and forensic anthropology, and also has been an exemplary teacher and
mentor to undergraduate students with a particular emphasis on experiential learning, as recognized in his Outstanding Commitment to Students Award from the Leadership Board of the College of Arts and Sciences; and

WHEREAS, Professor Jacobi has made substantial contributions to The University of Alabama Museums, serving as Curator of Human Osteology from 1998 until his retirement, working assiduously and tirelessly to inventory and, where appropriate, repatriate thousands of human remains, while also leading education programs regarding forensic anthropology including exhibits and summer camps that engage the general public; and

WHEREAS, Professor Jacobi has an extensive record of service to The University of Alabama, especially through his contributions to the Blount Scholars Program, as well as numerous critical leadership roles and committee assignments at the department, College, and University levels; and

WHEREAS, the faculty of the College of Arts and Sciences, including, especially, his colleagues and friends in the department of anthropology, wish to express their deep and sincere appreciation and gratitude to Professor Keith Jacobi for his contributions to the life of the department, the College, and the University and its students; to the state of Alabama; and to the advancement of the study of anthropology, bioarchaeology, and forensic anthropology as taught in the public university;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it hereby approves the appointment of Professor Keith Jacobi as Professor Emeritus of Anthropology in the College of Arts and Sciences and The University of Alabama, with all designated rights and privileges.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be recorded in the minutes of the Board, become a matter of public record, and that copies be given to Professor Jacobi and members of his family in grateful acknowledgment of his distinguished career as a teacher, researcher, mentor, administrator, and colleague.

Granting Approval of the Appointment of George R. Franke as Professor Emeritus in the Department of Marketing in the Culverhouse College of Business at UA

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, George R. Franke, has retired as Professor as of August 2019 after serving in the Culverhouse College of Business since 1994; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Franke joined the faculty of The University of Alabama in 1994 as an assistant professor in marketing; serving as an associate professor of marketing beginning in 1996; and serving as a professor of marketing beginning in 1998; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Franke began his academic career in 1982 as an assistant professor
of advertising at The University of Texas at Austin; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Franke served as an associate professor of marketing at Virginia Tech University beginning in 1987; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Franke has been a prolific writer and researcher with 51 refereed journal articles, 40 refereed conference proceeding papers, and numerous other academic presentations, review articles, and book chapters; chaired 8 dissertations and served as member on 22 committees; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Franke has served the professional community through leadership positions with the American Marketing Association and the American Academy of Advertising; as an associate editor of the Journal of Public Policy & Marketing; as a member of numerous academic journal review boards; as a reviewer for academic journals and conferences; and as an outside reviewer for promotion and tenure appointments; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Franke has positively impacted the marketing and advertising professions and is respected as a national and international scholar; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Franke holds a B.S. in business administration from East Carolina University, and a Ph.D. in marketing from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama recognizes the outstanding accomplishments that George R. Franke has made in his career and for the Culverhouse College of Business.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of the Board and that copies be sent to Professor Emeritus George R. Franke and a copy be placed in the library of The University of Alabama.

Granting Approval of the Appointment of Ian W. Brown as Professor Emeritus of Anthropology in the Department of Anthropology in the College of Arts and Sciences at UA

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Professor Ian Brown retired from the department of anthropology on June 1, 2020, after 29 years of distinguished service to the department as a teacher, researcher, mentor, administrator, and colleague; and

WHEREAS, Professor Brown has been a noted archaeologist in the field of Southeastern archaeology, conducting more than 50 years of archaeological fieldwork in the Lower Mississippi Valley and the Gulf Coastal Plain and publishing more than 20 books and monographs and more than 60 articles and book chapters; and
WHEREAS, Professor Brown has distinguished himself with important honors, including being an Elected Fellow of The Society of Antiquaries of London, receiving multiple Society for American Archaeology Presidential Recognition Awards, and the Mississippi Archaeological Association, L. B. Jones Award, for outstanding and enduring contributions to Mississippi archaeology; and

WHEREAS, Professor Brown has made substantial contributions not only to the University of Alabama department of anthropology but also to the Association for Gravestone Studies, the National Historic Landmarks Committee of the National Park System, the Society for American Archaeology, the Society for American Archaeology National Historic Landmarks Committee, and the Southeastern Archaeology Conference; and

WHEREAS, Professor Brown has made substantial contributions to the University of Alabama Museums, serving as Curator of Gulf Coast Archaeology and as a member of the UA Council of Curators, and curating numerous exhibits for the Alabama Museum of Natural History; and

WHEREAS, Professor Brown has made a significant contribution to the teaching of anthropology at The University of Alabama, including the mentorship of a generation of students; serving as Anthropology Club Faculty Advisor, the creation of new courses in the department of anthropology and the Blount Undergraduate Initiative, and developing the UA in Greece: Excavations in Vergina archaeological field program; and

WHEREAS, Professor Brown has won distinguished awards for his pedagogy at the University, including receiving the Outstanding Commitment to Teaching Award from UA's National Alumni Association, the College of Arts and Sciences Distinguished Teaching Fellow Award, the College of Arts and Sciences Outstanding Commitment to Students Award, and being selected as the Commencement Marshal for all UA colleges; and

WHEREAS, Professor Brown has committed himself throughout his career to the service of The University of Alabama, including service on the Leadership Board, the Mentoring Program, the Parker-Adams Program, the Scholarship Committee, the Undergraduate Committee, the Dean's Faculty Advisory Committee, the UA Faculty Senate, the Moundville Research Advisory Committee, The University of Alabama Committee on Human Remains and Cultural Items; and to the department of anthropology, including chairmanship of the department; and

WHEREAS, the faculty of the College of Arts and Sciences, including, especially, his colleagues and friends in the department of anthropology, wish to express their deep and sincere appreciation and gratitude to Professor Ian Brown for his contributions to the life of the department, the College, and the University and its students; to the state of Alabama; and to the advancement of the study of anthropology, archaeology, and museum studies as taught in the public university;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it hereby approves the appointment of Professor Ian W. Brown as Professor
Emeritus of Anthropology in the College of Arts and Sciences and The University of Alabama, with all designated rights and privileges.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be recorded in the minutes of the Board, become a matter of public record, and that copies be given to Professor Brown and members of his family in grateful acknowledgment of his distinguished career as a teacher, researcher, mentor, administrator, and colleague.

Granting Approval of the Appointment of John H. Blitz as Professor Emeritus of Anthropology in the College of Arts and Sciences at UA

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Professor John H. Blitz retired from the department of anthropology after 17 years of distinguished service to the department as a scholar, teacher, mentor, and colleague; and

WHEREAS, Professor Blitz is a scholar with a national reputation in the field of American Archaeology, having published research in his field's major scholarly journals, produced three books for the University of Alabama Press, and secured external federal and State of Alabama grants for the University; and

WHEREAS, Professor Blitz has distinguished himself as advisor, writer, and on-camera interpreter for The University of Alabama Museums Moundville Archaeological Park in numerous film documentaries and interviews for the general public and Native American Tribal projects; and

WHEREAS, Professor Blitz has made a significant contribution to the teaching of anthropology and archaeology at The University of Alabama, including the mentorship of a generation of students; director of the department's archaeological field school at Moundville Archaeological Park for 13 years, chair of four Ph.D. dissertations and eight M.A. theses, chair of faculty search committees, as well as the creation of new courses in the department of anthropology; and

WHEREAS, Professor Blitz has served national, regional, and state professional organizations in his field including the Society for American Archaeology, Southeastern Archaeological Conference, and the Alabama Archaeological Society, in various executive officer and committee chair capacities; and

WHEREAS, Professor Blitz has made substantial contributions not only to The University of Alabama department of anthropology, but also as Curator of Southeastern Archaeology for The University of Alabama Museums; and

WHEREAS, Professor Blitz has committed himself throughout his career to the service of The University of Alabama, including service in the Graduate Council, Faculty Senate, Moundville Site Advisory Board, Committee on Human Remains, Editorial Board
University of Alabama Press, Freshman Learning Committee, Freshman Initiative Group Instructor, student volunteer coordinator for the Moundville Native American Festival, and other committees; and

WHEREAS, the faculty of the College of Arts and Sciences, including, especially, his colleagues and friends in the department of anthropology, wish to express their deep and sincere appreciation and gratitude to Professor John H. Blitz for his contributions to the life of the department, the College, and the University and its students; to the state of Alabama; and to the advancement of the study of anthropology and archaeology as taught in the public university;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it hereby approves the appointment of Professor John H. Blitz as Professor Emeritus of Anthropology in the College of Arts and Sciences and The University of Alabama, with all designated rights and privileges.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be recorded in the minutes of the Board, become a matter of public record, and that copies be given to Professor Blitz and members of his family in grateful acknowledgment of his distinguished career as scholar, teacher, mentor, and colleague.

Granting Approval of and Permission to Submit to the Alabama Commission on Higher Education (ACHE) the Establishment of Three Specialty Tracks within the Master of Science (M.S.) Degree in Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging Sciences (CIP Code 51.0905) at UAB

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the School of Health Professions is proposing the addition of three specialty tracks to the existing Master of Science (M.S.) degree in Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging Sciences: Imaging Specialist, Radiation Safety, and Research; and

WHEREAS, the addition of these tracks is a reorganization of the current curriculum; and

WHEREAS, the proposed tracks will not impact the programs current accreditation by the Joint Review Committee on Nuclear Medicine Technology Programs (JRCNMT); and

WHEREAS, the proposed tracks will not impact the current credit hours required for the degree;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it grants approval of and submission to the Alabama Commission on Higher Education (ACHE) the establishment of three specialty tracks within the Master of Science (M.S.) degree in Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging Sciences (CIP Code 51.0905) at The University of Alabama at Birmingham.
Granting Approval of and Permission to Submit to the Alabama Commission on Higher Education (ACHE) the Establishment of a Concentration in Japanese within the Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Degree in Foreign Languages (CIP Code 16.0101) at UAB

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures at UAB wishes to add a Concentration in Japanese to the existing Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree in Foreign Languages established on April 16, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the department has secured a salary assistance grant from The Japan Foundation in Los Angeles; and

WHEREAS, enrollments in the existing Japanese minor have been growing and now represents 15% in total language enrollments in the department;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it grants approval of and submission to the Alabama Commission on Higher Education (ACHE) the establishment of a concentration in Japanese within the Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree in Foreign Languages (CIP Code 16.0101) at The University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Granting Approval of the Establishment of the Gene P. Siegal Endowed Professorship in Pathology at UAB

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the University of Alabama Health Services Foundation (UAHSF) has given $500,000 to the Department of Pathology in the School of Medicine at the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) to establish an endowed professorship in the Department; and

WHEREAS, it is most fitting that this professorship be named in honor of Dr. Gene P. Siegal, who made substantial contributions to the field of pathology, clinical service, pathology education and the growth of the Department of Pathology at UAB during his 30 years of service on the Department’s faculty; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Siegal earned his Doctor of Medicine degree from the University of Louisville and his Ph.D. at the University of Minnesota, then completed an anatomic pathology residency and research fellowship at the Mayo Clinic, followed by a surgical pathology fellowship at the University of Minnesota and a postdoctoral fellowship at the National Institutes of Health; and
WHEREAS, Dr. Siegal began his career at the University of North Carolina, and was recruited to UAB in 1990 to serve as Professor and Director of the Division of Anatomic Pathology in the Department of Pathology; and

WHEREAS, in 2008, Dr. Siegal was appointed the Robert W. Mowry Endowed Professor and Executive Vice Chair of the Department of Pathology; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Siegal has been an extraordinary leader in the Department of Pathology, building the Division of Anatomic Pathology into a world-leading clinical division, with more than 40 faculty covering a wide range of specialties and providing excellent clinical service for patients in the UAB Hospital system and the outreach program; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Siegal has been a model citizen in the Department of Pathology and the School of Medicine as evidenced by his 30 years of service on numerous leadership committees, his service as Interim Chair of the Department of Pathology, and his current service as Interim Chair of the Department of Genetics; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Siegal has maintained a strong research program in tumor invasion and metastasis in breast cancer and gene therapy, bringing millions of dollars in funding from major agencies and prestige to UAB; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Siegal has been a leader in education, developing a strong anatomic pathology residency program and numerous fellowships along with his individual mentorship of students, residents, clinical fellows, post-doctoral fellows, and faculty; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Siegal is recognized as a world leader in pathology, as evidenced by his 164 invited lectures, his 347 published articles, 11 books, and 40 book chapters, as well as his 14-year appointment as Editor-in-Chief of Laboratory Investigation, his membership on 28 editorial boards, and his numerous awards and honors from peer organizations, including his current service as President of the American Society for Clinical Pathology; and

WHEREAS, UAB is grateful for Dr. Siegal’s tremendous impact on the success of the Department of Pathology, contributions to clinical service for patients, training of residents and fellows in pathology, and his national and international influence, which will have significant and enduring value; and

WHEREAS, naming this endowed professorship in Dr. Gene Siegal’s honor will serve as a lasting tribute to his years of service to UAB and his outstanding dedication to excellence in the field of pathology; and

WHEREAS, the endowed professorship will assist UAB in recruiting a physician/scientist to further expand the University’s clinical, educational, and research efforts in pathology; and

WHEREAS, this gift will have an enduring effect on the lives of the many patients who will benefit from the clinical service and/or discoveries that will be made at UAB and
will, therefore, be of significant and lasting value to the University and the advancement of medicine; and

WHEREAS, this endowment will enhance and support the mission and goals of the Department of Pathology and the School of Medicine for the ultimate benefit of UAB, the Birmingham community, the state of Alabama, and beyond;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it hereby accepts with gratitude this generous gift and herewith establishes the Gene P. Siegal Endowed Professorship in Pathology.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution is spread upon the permanent minutes of this Board and that copies be given to Dr. Siegal to share with members of his family; to Dr. George J. Netto, Professor and Chair of the Department of Pathology; to Dr. Selwyn M. Vickers, Senior Vice President and Dean of the School of Medicine; and to other appropriate officials of The University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Granting Approval of the Establishment of the Ona M. Faye-Peterson
Endowed Professorship in Pathology at UAB

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the University of Alabama Health Services Foundation (UAHSF) has given $500,000 to the Department of Pathology in the School of Medicine at the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) to establish an endowed professorship in the Department; and

WHEREAS, it is most fitting that this professorship be named in honor of Dr. Ona M. Faye-Petersen, who has made substantial contributions to the field of pathology and the growth of the Department of Pathology at UAB during her more than 27 years of service on the Department's faculty; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Faye-Petersen earned her Bachelor of Arts degree and her Doctor of Medicine degree from the University of Colorado, followed by a residency in anatomic and clinical pathology at Denver Presbyterian Hospital, as well as fellowships in surgical pathology and pediatric pathology at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center and Mount Sinai Medical Center, respectively; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Faye-Petersen began her career at UAB as an Assistant Professor in 1992 and rose to the rank of tenured Professor in the Department of Pathology, Group Leader for Perinatal Pathology, and Head of the Microdissection Laboratory; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Faye-Petersen has been an advocate for women, serving as a Senior Scientist and Pathologist for the Center for Women's Reproductive Health, a leader in the UAB Commission on the Status of Women, Dean-Appointed UAB Representative to the
American Academy of Medical Colleges Group on Women in Medicine and Science, and in 2006 was the founder of the UAB “Suits for Success” and “A Formal Affair” programs; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Faye-Petersen is recognized as a world-renowned expert in perinatal-pediatric pathology, receiving a number of awards and appointments from multiple academic and professional organizations, including the Society for Pediatric Pathology, where she served as President; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Faye-Petersen has been a model citizen in the Department of Pathology and the School of Medicine, as evidenced by her receipt of the Outstanding Woman UAB Faculty Member award in 2007 and serving on numerous leadership committees; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Faye-Petersen has trained generations of successful residents and clinical fellows, taught in the UAB School of Medicine and the Schools of Dentistry and Optometry, and has established two funds in support of education, including a multidisciplinary teaching award for UAB residents and fellows and an endowed fund to support trainees’ attendance at workshops and symposia at national and international meetings; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Faye-Petersen is recognized as a national leader and innovator in clinical perinatal pathology, serving as a member of editorial boards and an academic reviewer, publishing books, chapters, and more than 70 published articles, and presenting numerous invited lectures nationally and internationally; and

WHEREAS, UAB remains grateful for Dr. Faye-Petersen’s tremendous influence on the success of the Department of Pathology, for her contributions to the training of residents and fellows in pathology, and for her national and international influence, which will have significant and enduring value; and

WHEREAS, naming this endowed professorship in Dr. Faye-Petersen’s honor will serve as a lasting tribute to her years of service to UAB and her exemplary dedication to excellence in the field of pathology; and

WHEREAS, the endowed professorship will assist UAB in recruiting a physician/scientist to further expand the University’s clinical, educational, and research efforts in pathology; and

WHEREAS, this gift will have an enduring effect on the lives of the many patients who will benefit from the clinical service and/or discoveries that will be made at UAB and will, therefore, be of significant and lasting value to the University and the advancement of medicine; and

WHEREAS, this endowment will enhance and support the mission and goals of the Department of Pathology and the School of Medicine for the ultimate benefit of UAB, the Birmingham community, the state of Alabama, and beyond; and
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it hereby accepts with gratitude this generous gift and herewith establishes the Ona M. Faye-Petersen Endowed Professorship in Pathology.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution is spread upon the permanent minutes of this Board and that copies be given to Dr. Faye-Petersen to share with members of her family; to Dr. George J. Netto, Professor and Chair of the Department of Pathology; to Dr. Selwyn M. Vickers, Senior Vice President and Dean of the School of Medicine; and to other appropriate officials of The University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Granting Approval of the Closure of Following Centers: the Alabama Organ Center/Legacy of Hope, the Biomatrix Engineering and Regenerative Medicine (BERM), the Center for Computational and Structural Dynamics (CCSD), the Center for Joint Replacement, the Center for Optical Sensors and Spectroscopies, the Chemoprevention Center, the South Central Center for Public Health Preparedness, the Center for Emerging Drug Discovery in the Department of Pediatrics, the Center for the Development of Functional Imaging, the Injury Control Research Center, the Stem Cell Institute, the Southeast Center of Excellence in Geriatric Medicine, the Comprehensive Community Mental Health Center, the Center for Structural Biology, the Center for Surgical Research, the Center for Research in Applied Gerontology, and the Engel Psychiatric Day Treatment Center at UAB

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) would like to close the following centers formally as they are no longer viable: the Alabama Organ Center/Legacy of Hope, the Biomatrix Engineering and Regenerative Medicine (BERM), the Center for Computational and Structural Dynamics (CCSD), the Center for Joint Replacement, the Center for Optical Sensors and Spectroscopies, the Chemoprevention Center, the South Central Center for Public Health Preparedness, the Center for Emerging Drug Discovery in the Department of Pediatrics, the Center for the Development of Functional Imaging, the Injury Control Research Center, the Stem Cell Institute, the Southeast Center of Excellence in Geriatric Medicine, the Comprehensive Community Mental Health Center, the Center for Structural Biology, the Center for Surgical Research, the Center for Research in Applied Gerontology, and the Engel Psychiatric Day Treatment Center;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it approves closure of the Alabama Organ Center/Legacy of Hope, the Biomatrix Engineering and Regenerative Medicine (BERM), the Center for Computational and Structural Dynamics (CCSD), the Center for Joint Replacement, the Center for Optical Sensors and Spectroscopies, the Chemoprevention Center, the South Central Center for Public Health Preparedness, the Center for Emerging Drug Discovery in the Department of Pediatrics, the Center for the Development of Functional Imaging, the Injury Control Research Center, the Stem Cell Institute, the Southeast Center of Excellence in Geriatric Medicine, the Comprehensive Community Mental Health Center, the Center for Structural
Biology, the Center for Surgical Research, the Center for Research in Applied Gerontology, and the Engel Psychiatric Day Treatment Center.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of the Board and that copies be sent to Ray L. Watts, M.D., President of The University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Granting Approval of and Permission to Submit to the Alabama Commission on Higher Education (ACHE) a Request to Alter the Degree Nomenclature and Name Change for the Master of Science (M.S.) Degree in Nuclear Medicine Technology to the Master of Science (M.S.) Degree in Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging Sciences (CIP Code 51.0905) at UAB

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees gave final approval to the Master of Science (M.S.) degree in Nuclear Medicine Technology at its April 10, 2015 meeting; and

WHEREAS, the School of Health Professions at UAB wishes to alter the degree name to Master of Science (M.S) degree in Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging Sciences; and

WHEREAS, in recent years, the Society for Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging incorporated “molecular imaging” in its title to better reflect the scope of professional practice, which uses radioactive material as a molecular imaging tool to diagnose, stage, and treat disease, notably cancer; and

WHEREAS, the faculty of the School of Health Professions at UAB now requests that the degree name be changed to Master of Science (M.S.) degree in Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging Sciences in order to market this program more clearly;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it grants approval of and submission to the Alabama Commission on Higher Education (ACHE) a request to alter the degree nomenclature and name change for the Master of Science (M.S.) degree in Nuclear Medicine Technology to Master of Science (M.S.) degree in Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging Sciences (CIP Code 51.0905) at The University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Granting Approval of Changing the Supervisory Affiliation of the UAB Microbiome Center from the School of Dentistry at The University of Alabama at Birmingham to the School of Medicine Dean’s Office at UAB

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the UAB Microbiome Center was established by the Board of Trustees at their February 5, 2016 meeting; and
WHEREAS, the purpose of the UAB Microbiome Center is to establish an integrated microbiome research, education, training and service platform and forum on campus enabling comprehensive studies of the human microbiome in health and disease, and to advance our understanding of the contributions of human microbiome to the human genetic landscape and to promote translation of this knowledge into diagnostic, prevention and treatment of relevant diseases; and

WHEREAS, this purpose has been determined to be more appropriately aligned with the role of the School of Medicine than the School of Dentistry; and

WHEREAS, the Center’s flow of reporting and supervision would be greatly improved by changing the Center’s affiliation to the UAB School of Medicine Dean’s Office; and

WHEREAS, this change in flow of reporting and supervision is consistent with the affiliation of other University-Wide Interdisciplinary Research Centers (UWIRC) centers within UAB; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Carlos Orihuela, M.D., Professor will now serve as the Director;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it hereby approves changing the Supervisory Affiliation from the School of Dentistry at The University of Alabama at Birmingham to the School of Medicine Dean’s Office.

Granting Approval of Changing the Name of the Center for Disability Health and Rehabilitation Science (DHARS) at UAB to the Center for Engagement in Disability Health and Rehabilitation Sciences (CEDHARS) at UAB

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on February 5, 2016, The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama approved the establishment of the Center for Disability Health and Rehabilitation Science (DHARS) at The University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB); and

WHEREAS, the official name of the Center does not reflect the full scope of the Center’s services, expertise, and mission; and

WHEREAS, the Center is part of a research collaborative between UAB and the Lakeshore Foundation, which offers unique opportunities for community engagement; and

WHEREAS, the Center’s leadership feels compelled to emphasize the Center’s commitment to engaging people with disabilities in its activities to better reflect its mission by changing the Center’s name to the Center for Engagement in Disability Health and Rehabilitation Sciences (CEDHARS); and
WHEREAS, Dr. James H. Rimmer and Dr. Danielle K. Powell will serve as Center Co-Directors;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it approves changing the name of the Center for Disability Health and Rehabilitation Science (DHARS) to the Center for Engagement in Disability Health and Rehabilitation Sciences (CEDHARS) at The University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Granting Approval of the Renaming of the Endowed Professorship in Environmental Medicine to the Department of Medicine Endowed Professorship in Lung Health and Confirming the Appointment of Moon H. Nahm, M.D., as the Holder of the Professorship at UAB

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on November 6, 2015, The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama approved the establishment of the Department of Medicine Endowed Professorship in Lung Health as a quasi endowment in the amount of $500,000 in the Division of Pulmonary, Allergy, and Critical Care Medicine within the Department of Medicine at The University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB); and

WHEREAS, on November 3, 2016, The Board of Trustees of the University of Alabama appointed Moon H. Nahm, M.D., to the Department of Medicine Endowed Professorship in Lung Health; and

WHEREAS, on November 8, 2019, The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama approved the renaming of the Department of Medicine Endowed Professorship in Lung Health to the Endowed Professorship in Environmental Medicine; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Division’s administration that this endowment be restored to its original name as the Department of Medicine Endowed Professorship in Lung Health to appropriately reflect the area of focus of the work and research performed by the renowned professionals in the Division who will occupy this endowed position; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Division’s administration that Moon H. Nahm, M.D., be confirmed as the holder of the Department of Medicine Endowed Professorship in Lung Health; and

WHEREAS, the spendable earnings from this endowment will be used to support the work and the mission of the Division through the recruitment and/or retention of an expert and national leader in the field of lung health;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it herewith approves renaming of the Endowed Professorship in Environmental Medicine to the Department of Medicine Endowed Professorship in Lung Health.
Health, a quasi endowment of the University totaling $500,000, and confirming the appointment of Moon H. Nahm, M.D., as the Holder of the Professorship;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board confirms the appointment of Moon H. Nahm, M.D., as the holder of the Department of Medicine Endowed Professorship in Lung Health, with all rights and privileges thereunto pertaining.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of this Board and that copies or any parts of it be sent to Dr. Victor J. Thannickal, Director of the Division of Pulmonary, Allergy, and Critical Care Medicine; Dr. C. Seth Landefeld, Chair of the Department of Medicine; to Dr. Selwyn M. Vickers, Senior Vice President and Dean of the School of Medicine; and to other appropriate officials of The University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Granting Approval of the Renaming of the Department of Medicine Endowed Professorship in Lung Immunology to the Endowed Professorship in Environmental Medicine and Confirming the Appointment of Veena Antony, M.D., as Holder of the Professorship at UAB

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on September 18, 2015, The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama approved the establishment of the Department of Medicine Endowed Professorship in Lung Immunology as a quasi endowment in the amount of $500,000 to establish an endowed professorship in lung immunology within the Division of Pulmonary, Allergy, and Critical Care Medicine; and

WHEREAS, on February 7, 2020, The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama appointed Veena Antony, M.D. to the Endowed Professorship in Environmental Medicine; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Division’s administration that this endowment be renamed the Endowed Professorship in Environmental Medicine to appropriately reflect the area of focus of the work and research performed by the renowned professionals in the Division who will occupy this endowed position; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Division’s administration that Veena Antony, M.D., be confirmed as the holder of the Endowed Professorship in Environmental Medicine; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the administration that the spendable earnings from this endowment be used to support the work and the mission of the Department through the recruitment and retention of an expert and national leader in the field of environmental medicine;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it herewith approves renaming of the Department of Medicine Endowed
Professorship in Lung Immunology to the Endowed Professorship in Environmental Medicine, a quasi endowment of the University totaling $500,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board confirms the appointment of Veena Antony, M.D., as the holder of the Endowed Professorship in Environmental Medicine, with all rights and privileges thereunto pertaining.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of this Board and that copies or any parts of it be sent to Dr. Victor J. Thannickal, Director of the Division of Pulmonary, Allergy, and Critical Care Medicine; Dr. C. Seth Landefeld, Chair of the Department of Medicine; to Dr. Selwyn M. Vickers, Senior Vice President and Dean of the School of Medicine; and to other appropriate officials of The University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Granting Approval of the Renaming of the Translational Research Endowed Professorship in Pathology to the Vishnu Reddy Translational Research in Pathology Endowed Professorship at UAB

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on February 9, 2018, The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama approved the establishment of the Translational Research Endowed Professorship in Pathology in the Department of Pathology in the School of Medicine at The University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB); and

WHEREAS, on September 6, 2019, The Board of Trustees of the University of Alabama appointed C. Ryan Miller, M.D., Ph.D., to the Translational Research Endowed Professorship in Pathology; and

WHEREAS, it is now the desire of the Department and University's administration that this endowed professorship be renamed the Vishnu Reddy Translational Research in Pathology Endowed Professorship in order to better align the endowment name with its purpose of serving in the Department of Pathology; and

WHEREAS, Vishnu Reddy, M.D., is a hematopathologist with four decades of clinical and diagnostic who serves as a Professor of clinical pathology and senior scientist in the O’Neal Comprehensive Cancer Center; and

WHEREAS, the fund was originally established with gifts totaling $500,000 from the University of Alabama Health Services Foundation; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Division's administration that C. Ryan Miller, M.D., Ph.D., be confirmed as the holder of the Vishnu Reddy Translational Research in Pathology Endowed Professorship; and
WHEREAS, the ongoing contributions of this endowed professorship to the research and development of the science of pathology will be of fundamental and lasting value not only to the Department of Pathology, the School of Medicine, and UAB, but also to the individuals whose lives are improved through said research and treatment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it herewith approves the renaming of the Translational Research Endowed Professorship in Pathology to the Vishnu Reddy Translational Research in Pathology Endowed Professorship, a pure endowment of the University.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of this Board and that copies be given to Dr. George J. Netto, Professor and Chair of the Department of Pathology; to Dr. Selwyn M. Vickers, Senior Vice President and Dean of the School of Medicine; and to other appropriate officials of The University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Granting Approval of Changing the Supervisory Affiliation of the UAB Center for Palliative and Supportive Care in the Division of Geriatrics, Gerontology and Palliative Medicine in the School of Medicine to the School of Medicine Dean’s Office at UAB

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on November 17, 2000, The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama approved establishment of the Center for Palliative Care; and

WHEREAS, on June 18, 2010, The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama approved the name change of the Center for Palliative Care to the Center for Palliative and Supportive Care in the Division of Geriatrics, Gerontology and Palliative Medicine in The University of Alabama School of Medicine; and

WHEREAS, the Center’s flow of reporting and supervision would be greatly improved by changing the Center’s affiliation to the UAB School of Medicine Dean’s Office; and

WHEREAS, this change in flow of reporting and supervision is consistent with the affiliation of other University-Wide Interdisciplinary Research Centers (UWIRC) centers within UAB; and

WHEREAS, Rodney Tucker, M.D., Professor, will now serve as the Center director;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it approves changing the supervisory affiliation of the UAB Center for Palliative and Supportive Care in the Division of Geriatrics, Gerontology, and Palliative Medicine in the School of Medicine to the School of Medicine Dean’s Office at The University of Alabama at Birmingham.
Granting Approval of Changing the Supervisory Affiliation of the UAB Center for Exercise Medicine from the Department of Cell, Developmental, and Integrative Biology in the School of Medicine to the School of Medicine Dean’s Office at UAB

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, February 4, 2011, The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama approved establishment of the Center of Exercise Medicine; and

WHEREAS, the Center is defined by interdisciplinary collaboration among UAB scientists, clinicians, and educators, and by patient experiences and outcomes; and

WHEREAS, the Center’s flow of reporting and supervision would be greatly improved by changing the Center’s affiliation to the UAB School of Medicine Dean’s Office; and

WHEREAS, this change in flow of reporting and supervision is consistent with the affiliation of other University-Wide Interdisciplinary Research Centers (UWIRC) centers within UAB; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Thomas Buford, M.D., will now serve as the Center Director;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it approves changing the supervisory affiliation of the UAB Center for Exercise Medicine in the Department of Cell, Developmental, and Integrative Biology in the School of Medicine to the School of Medicine Dean’s Office at The University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Granting Approval of Changing the Names of Centers: the Mental Retardation Research Center, and the Center for Cardiovascular Biology at UAB

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) would like to change the names of the following centers to reflect the full scope of each center’s service and expertise; and

WHEREAS, the Mental Retardation Research Center, established on November 17, 2000 would be officially changed to Developmental Disability Research Center; and

WHEREAS, the Center for Cardiovascular Biology, established on February 3, 2012 would be officially changed to Comprehensive Cardiovascular Center;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it approves changing the names of the following centers at The University of Alabama at Birmingham: the Mental Retardation Research Center to the Developmental
Disability Research Center and the Center for Cardiovascular Biology to the Comprehensive Cardiovascular Center.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of the Board and that copies be sent to Ray L. Watts, M.D., President of The University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Granting Approval of the Appointment of Bin Ren, M.D., as the Second Holder of the William D. Jordan, Jr., M.D., Endowed Professorship in Vascular Surgery and Endovascular Therapy in the Department of Surgery at UAB

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on February 3, 2017, a resolution was approved by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama formally establishing the William D. Jordan, Jr., M.D., Endowed Professorship in Vascular Sciences in the Department of Surgery in School of Medicine at The University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB); and

WHEREAS, as recommended by Herbert Chen, M.D., F.A.C.S., Chair of the Department of Surgery, with the concurrence of Selwyn M. Vickers, M.D., Senior Vice President and Dean of the School of Medicine at The University of Alabama at Birmingham and the University’s leadership, the UAB administration now wishes to appoint Bin Ren, M.D., Ph.D., Associate Professor of Surgery and Biomedical Engineering, as the first holder of this endowed professorship; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ren earned his Bachelor of Arts in English at Anhui Normal University in Wuhu, China and his Bachelor of Medicine (MD equivalent) from Anhui Medical University (Anhui Medical College). Dr. Ren then continued his studies earning his Ph.D. in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology at the University of Science and Technology of China in Hefei, China; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ren began his Postdoctoral Fellowship in 2002 at Harvard Medical School studying Angiogenesis, Cancer Biology, and Molecular Pathology concluding his fellowship in 2005. Following the fellowship in 2005, he then began his Research Fellowship at Mount Sinai Medical School, New York within the Brookdale Department of Geriatrics and Adult Development; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ren began his career at UAB in 2018 as an Associate Professor with Tenure in Vascular Surgery and Biomedical Engineering. In addition, he has served as a Scientist in UAB O’Neal Comprehensive Cancer Center since 2018, and as a Senior Scientist in UAB Diabetes Research Center, Comprehensive Diabetes Center since 2019; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ren is a member of American Association of Cancer Research, American Heart Association, North American Vascular Biology Organization, New York Academy of Science, and the Harvard Stem Cell Institute (Associate Member), as well as an elected fellow of American Heart Association; and
WHEREAS, Dr. Ren has served on multiple councils and committees. He has
dedicated time to the NIH Molecular and Integrative Signal Transduction (MIST) Study and
served as a member of the American Heart Association/Allen Initiative in Brian Health and
Cognitive Impairment Award Committee. He has also served as the associate editor for
Frontiers in Cell and Developmental Biology (Signaling); and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ren is the Principle Investigator (PI) of an R01 grant. He is also a
collaborator on the National Institute of General Medical Sciences R35 grant. He has
completed 6 additional Principle Investigator research projects; and

WHEREAS, this Board believes it is most appropriate for Dr. Ren to be named the
William D. Jordan, Jr., M.D., Endowed Professorship in Vascular Sciences and honored as
one of The University of Alabama School of Medicine at The University of Alabama at
Birmingham’s leaders in Vascular and Endovascular Therapy Surgery and Vascular
Sciences;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University
of Alabama that it approves appointment of Bin Ren, M.D., Ph.D., as the first holder of the
William D. Jordan, Jr., M.D., Endowed Professorship in Vascular Sciences, in The University
of Alabama School of Medicine at The University of Alabama at Birmingham.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permeant
minutes of this Board and that copies be sent to Bin Ren M.D., Ph.D. to share with member
of his family; to Selwyn M. Vickers, M.D., Senior Vice President and Dean of the School of
Medicine at UAB; to Herbert Chen, M.D., F.A.C.S., Professor and Chair of the Department
of Surgery; and to other appropriate officials of The University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Granting Approval of the Appointment of Edie R. Hapner, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, to
the George W. Barber, Jr., Foundation Professorship in Otolaryngology/Head
and Neck Surgery in the School of Medicine at UAB

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, recommended by William R. Carroll, M.D., John S. Odess Professor and
Chair of the Department of Otolaryngology and with concurrence of the leadership of The
University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB), the UAB administration now wishes to
appoint Edie R. Hapner, Ph.D., CCC-SLP., Professor in the Department of Otolaryngology,
as the third holder of the George W. Barber, Jr. Foundation Professorship in
Otolaryngology/Head and Neck Surgery; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hapner received her Bachelor of Science degree from University of
Missouri (1980), received her Master of Science degree from Fontbonne College (1981) and
her Doctor of Philosophy degree from Vanderbilt University (2003); and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hapner became board certified by the American Speech, Language
and Hearing Association (1981); and
WHEREAS, Dr. Hapner began her career as an Assistant Professor at Emory University in the Department of Otolaryngology (2003), was promoted to Associate Professor (2011); she transitioned to University of Southern California, Department of Otolaryngology and was promoted to Professor that same year (2016). Dr. Hapner was highly recruited to UAB in 2020 as Professor in the Department of Otolaryngology; and

WHEREAS, as a member of numerous professional organizations and associations, Dr. Hapner is recognized for her service as voice committee member for the American Laryngological Association (ALA), the first and oldest sub-specialty society in the United States; Fellow of the American Speech Language and Hearing Association (ASHA), where she also served as Vice President; The Voice Foundation; International Association of Logopedics and Phoniatrics, National Academy of Practice; and the American Board of Otolaryngology, American Academy of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery (AAO-HNS/F); and actively serves through board, committee and task force positions; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hapner was named Director of Speech and Hearing Services in the UAB Department of Otolaryngology and Co-Director of the UAB Voice Center; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hapner has published over 50 peer-reviewed articles; over 20 book chapters; and is nationally recognized as being an expert in her field;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it approves appointment of Edie R. Hapner, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, as the third holder of the George W. Barber, Jr. Foundation Professorship in Otolaryngology/Head and Neck Surgery in the School of Medicine at The University of Alabama at Birmingham.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of this Board and that copies be sent to Edie R. Hapner, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, Professor in the Department of Otolaryngology; to Selwyn M. Vickers, M.D., Senior Vice President and Dean of the School of Medicine at The University of Alabama at Birmingham; and to other appropriate University officials.

Granting Approval of the Appointment of Rebecca S. Miltner, Ph.D., RN, CNL, NEA-BC, as the Second Holder of the Donna Brown Banton Endowed Professorship in Nursing at UAB

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama formally approved establishment of the Donna Brown Banton Endowed Professorship in Nursing at The University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) at its June 17, 2005 meeting; and

WHEREAS, after a thorough national search, the UAB administration wishes to appoint Rebecca S. Miltner, PhD, RN, CNL, NEA-BC, as the second holder of the Donna Brown Banton Endowed Professorship in Nursing in the UAB School of Nursing, as recommended by the search committee in consultation with Doreen C. Harper, Ph.D., RN,
FAAN, Dean of the School of Nursing, with the concurrence of the University’s leadership; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Miltner is from Tennessee; graduated from the Medical College of Georgia in Athens, Georgia with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing in 1982; earned her Master of Science in Nursing degree in High Risk Perinatal Nursing, and Administration and Education from the University of Wisconsin in Madison, Wisconsin in 1990; earned her Doctor of Philosophy in Nursing from the University of Maryland at Baltimore in Baltimore, Maryland in 2001; completed a post-graduate Executive Fellowship in Patient Safety at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, Virginia in 2007; was a Post-Doctoral Fellow in the Veterans Administration Quality Scholars Program at the Birmingham Veterans Administration Medical Center (BVAMC) in Birmingham, Alabama in 2012; and

WHEREAS, upon entering her undergraduate studies, Dr. Miltner attended college at the University of Georgia on an ROTC Scholarship, and upon her graduation from the ROTC Program and School of Nursing, Dr. Miltner became a member of the United States Army Nurse Corps for six years; and

WHEREAS: the family history of Dr. Miltner includes her husband Kristopher Miltner, a United States Army Veteran; her father-in-law Albert Miltner, a United States Navy Veteran; her mother Peggy Lamb Ellis, a Registered Nurse; her grandfather Dr. Leon Cicero Ellis, a Physician; and

WHEREAS, after leaving service in the United States Army Nurse Corps, Dr. Miltner continued her work as a staff nurse, clinical nurse specialist, and nurse manager in both civilian and military hospitals, including serving as Chief Nursing Performance Improvement Manager at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center (then Walter Reed Army Medical Center) and Senior Nursing Director, Nursing Education, at Washington Hospital Center, Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Miltner began her teaching career in nursing in 1990 as an Instructor at the Blackhawk Technical College Department of Nursing in Janesville, Wisconsin; and subsequently served as an Adjunct Faculty Member at Georgia Baptist College of Nursing in Atlanta, Georgia; a Clinical Assistant Professor at the University of Virginia School of Nursing in Charlottesville, Virginia; a Clinical Instructor and Adjunct Assistant Professor at the University of Maryland Baltimore in Baltimore, Maryland; and Adjunct Assistant Professor at Georgetown University School of Nursing & Health Studies in Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, in 2010, Dr. Miltner came to UAB to do a Post-Doctoral Fellowship as a Veterans Administration Quality Scholar; was recruited as an Adjunct Assistant Professor at the UAB School of Nursing in July 2010; began as a full-time Assistant Professor in July 2012; was promoted to Associate Professor in October 2016; was awarded tenure in October 2018; and concurrently serves as Director of Educationally Focused Partnerships at the UAB School of Nursing and Nurse Scientist in the School’s Veterans Administration Nursing Academic Partnership with the Birmingham VA Medical Center; and is an Associate Senior Nurse Scholar in the Veterans Administration Quality Scholars Program; and
WHEREAS, as a Quality and Safety Education for Nurses (QSEN) Institute Board Member, Dr. Miltnner, along with Dr. Patricia Patrician, leads the Deep South QSEN Regional Collaborative at UAB, an initiative to train nurse educators, practicing nurses and nurse leaders on the importance of instilling quality and safety values within the nursing and health care workforce; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Miltnner has disseminated her work through the publication of 40 peer-reviewed papers, 358 citations and named as a highly influential author as cited 13 times and has resulted in her appointment as Associate Editor of the Journal for Healthcare Quality and as a Reviewer for several additional peer-reviewed journals; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Miltnner has received several notable awards, including the 2004 Army Commanders Award for Civilian Service, Walter Reed National Military Medical Center; the 2013 Innovation Award for Prevention of Hospital Acquired Pressured Ulcers, Office of Nursing Service, VA Central Office; the 2019 Citation of Excellence, Alabama State Nurses Association; the first Paul Batalden Award from the 2019 VA Quality Scholars Summer Institute; and The Quality and Safety Education for Nurses Institute Linda Cronenwett QSEN Leadership Award in 2019; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Miltnner is a recognized leader in driving quality improvement efforts in several healthcare organizations, including ongoing work as a facilitator for Veteran Affairs improvement teams; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Miltnner has extensive clinical and leadership experience in military, private, and Veteran Affairs acute care settings as well as experience in nursing education in both academic and organization settings; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees is honored to have an individual with Dr. Miltnner's superior experience and exceptional abilities on the UAB faculty, and it concurs in the University's decision to honor her by naming her as the second holder of the Donna Brown Banton Endowed Professorship in Nursing;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama hereby approves appointment of Rebecca S. Miltnner, PhD, RN, CNL, NEA-BC, as the second holder of the Donna Brown Banton Endowed Professorship in Nursing in the School of Nursing at The University of Alabama at Birmingham, with all the rights and privileges thereunto appertaining.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of this Board, and that copies be sent to Rebecca S. Miltnner, Ph.D., RN, CNL, NEA-BC; to members of her family; to Doreen C. Harper, Ph.D., RN, FAAN, Dean of the School of Nursing at UAB; and to appropriate officials at The University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Granting Approval of the Appointment of Lynn Kirkland, Ed.D., as Professor Emerita in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction in the School of Education at UAB

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in special recognition of distinguished service to The University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB), the UAB administration wishes to acknowledge Lynn Kirkland, Ed.D., by appointing her as Professor Emerita in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction in the School of Education; and

WHEREAS, Lynn Kirkland, Ed.D., Professor in the School of Education, retired on August 1, 2019, after providing 21 years of faithful service to UAB; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Kirkland received her Bachelor of Science degree in Early Childhood Education from UAB in 1988; her Master of Arts degree in Education from UAB in 1992, her Educational Specialist degree in Early Childhood Education from UAB in 1996, and her Doctor of Education degree in Elementary Education from The University of Alabama in 1998. She completed a post-doctoral certification as a Reading Specialist from UAB in 2005; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Kirkland was the 2010 Recipient of the President’s Award for Excellence in Teaching; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Kirkland has been recognized for her excellent leadership abilities by her service and contributions to numerous international, national, regional, and local professional organizations, including the Association for Childhood Education International, World Organization for Early Childhood Education, Southern Early Childhood Association, International Literacy Association, Association for Constructivist Teaching, MidSouth Literacy Committee, and the Alabama Literacy Association, and co-authored three books in early childhood education; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Kirkland has contributed to scholarship in several educational fields, including Early Childhood Education, Elementary Education, Early Literacy, and Educational Research through the publication of her work in numerous international, national and regional peer reviewed journals and scholarly publishers, including Childhood Education, Early Childhood Education Journal, Young Children, Social Studies and the Young Learner, Reading Improvement, and Journal of Research in Childhood Education; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Kirkland has been awarded numerous grants and contracts from national and state agencies, such as the Belk Foundation and local school districts; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Kirkland has served as the Coordinator of Early Childhood/Elementary education from 2007-2011, the Department Chair of Curriculum and Instruction from 2011-2018, and the Acting Dean of the School of Education from 2018-2019; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Kirkland established the Maryann Manning Family Literacy Center in 2014; and
WHEREAS, Dr. Kirkland has positively influenced and enriched the lives of children, colleagues and educators; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Kirkland will continue her life of service by her continued research and publications in the field of education;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the University of Alabama that it approves appointment of Lynn Kirkland, Ed.D., as Professor Emerita in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction in the School of Education at The University of Alabama at Birmingham, and it takes great pleasure in recognizing the professional achievements of Dr. Kirkland and expressed its sincere gratitude for the invaluable contributions she has made to The University of Alabama at Birmingham and the State of Alabama.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of the Board, and that copies be furnished to Dr. Lynn Kirkland to share with her family and friends; to Dr. Michele Robinson, Interim Dean of the School of Education; and to appropriate officials of The University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Granting Approval of the Appointment of Jane R. Schwebke, M.D., as Professor Emerita of Infectious Diseases in the Division of Infectious Diseases in the Department of Medicine at UAB

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in special recognition of distinguished service to The University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) and the School of Medicine, the UAB administration wishes to acknowledge Jane R. Schwebke, M.D., by appointing her as Professor Emerita of Infectious Diseases in the Division of Infectious Diseases in the Department of Medicine; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Schwebke, Professor in the Division of Infectious Diseases in the UAB Department of Medicine, retired on September 30, 2020, after providing 26 years of loyal and dedicated service to UAB; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Schwebke, was born in Lombard, Illinois and graduated from Elmhurst College, in 1976, with a baccalaureate of Science; received her medical degree in 1984, from Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine; and

WHEREAS, after earning her medical degree, Dr. Schwebke began her postgraduate training and completed an internship in Internal Medicine at Northwestern University, in 1985; a residency program in Internal Medicine at the same institution in 1987; and a fellowship in Infectious Diseases at the University of Washington, Seattle, WA in 1989; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Schwebke is Board Certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine (1987) and Diplomat of the American Board of Subspecialty Committee on
Infectious Diseases (1990, 2000, 2010); and is a Fellow of the American College of Physicians and the Infectious Diseases Society of America; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Schwebe began her career as an Acting Instructor of Medicine at the University of Washington, Seattle, Washington; she was then recruited to Northwestern University and the Chicago Department of Health in 1991 as Assistant Professor of Medicine in the Division of Infectious Diseases and Medical Director for the City of Chicago Sexually Transmitted Disease Program; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Schwebe was recruited to UAB in 1994 as Assistant Professor of Medicine in the Division of Infectious Diseases and also served as Medical Director of the Sexually Transmitted Diseases Clinic for the Jefferson County Department of Health from 1992-2012; and

WHEREAS, while at UAB, Dr. Schwebe was promoted to Associate Professor of Medicine with Tenure in 1997 and to Professor in 2003 and helped shape the Division, mentoring numerous fellows and faculty, contributing to the Division’s educational mission, and as an internationally respected investigator; and

WHEREAS, throughout her career at UAB, Dr. Schwebe has regularly served as both a clinical educator serving on the Infectious Diseases consult service at UAB Hospital and as a clinical and translational investigator who has received continuous Federal funding to support her UAB research for over twenty-six years including four R01s/U01s, and published over 180 peer-reviewed manuscripts as well as numerous chapters and editorials in scientific journals; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Schwebe has helped to establish a vibrant research program in sexually transmitted diseases;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it approves appointment of Jane R. Schwebe, M.D., as Professor Emerita of Infectious Diseases in the Division of Infectious Diseases in the Department of Medicine at The University of Alabama at Birmingham.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of this Board and that copies be sent to Jane R. Schwebe, M.D. to share with members of her family; to Selwyn M. Vickers, M.D., Senior Vice President and Dean of The University of Alabama School of Medicine at The University of Alabama at Birmingham; to C. Seth Landefeld, M.D., Chairman of the Department of Medicine; and to other appropriate officials of The University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Granting Approval of the Appointment of Louis Burton Nabors, III, M.D., as the First Holder of the William Austin Brown Endowed Professorship in the O’Neal Comprehensive Cancer Center in the School of Medicine at UAB
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the William Austin Brown Endowed Professorship in the O'Neal Comprehensive Cancer Center in The University of Alabama School of Medicine at The University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) was established on September 17, 2020 by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama, having been made possible through the generous support of the friends and family of William Austin Brown; and

WHEREAS, as recommended by David G. Standaert, M.D., Ph.D., Chair of the Department of Neurology, with the concurrence of Selwyn M. Vickers, M.D., Senior Vice President for Medicine and Dean of the School of Medicine at UAB, the O'Neal Comprehensive Cancer Center Endowed Professorship Internal Search Committee, and the University's leadership, the UAB administration now wishes to appoint Louis Burton Nabors, III, M.D. as the first holder of the William Austin Brown Endowed Professorship in the Department of Neurology, Division of Neuro-Oncology in the School of Medicine at UAB; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Nabors earned his Doctor of Medicine degree from the University of Tennessee in Memphis, Tennessee in 1991, followed by the completion of his internship at National Naval Medical Center, Bethesda, Maryland in 1992, his residency training at UAB in Birmingham, Alabama in 1998, a Neuro-Oncology fellowship at UAB in Birmingham, Alabama in 1999; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Nabors was named Assistant Professor of Neurology at UAB in 1999 and Assistant Professor of Engineering and Assistant Professor of Cell Biology in 2002; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Nabors was promoted to the position of Associate Professor in 2004, and was named Director of the UAB Neuro-Oncology Program in 2005; which was followed by another promotion to Professor in the Department of Neurology in 2008, Vice-Chair of Research of Neurology in 2011, and Professor in the Department of Cell, Developmental and Integrative Biology in 2012; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Nabors is an active participating member of the medical staff with the Neurology Service for UAB Hospital, an Associate Scientist in the Neuro-Oncology Program at the UAB Comprehensive Cancer Center, Senior Scientist in the Comprehensive Cancer Center in 2019, Senior Scientist in Center for Clinical and Translational Science in 2009, Scientist in the Comprehensive Neuroscience Center 2009, Scientist in Center for Glial Biology in Medicine in 2006, the Director of UAB’s Center for Clinical Translational Science’s Clinical Research Unit, and the Director for the UAB Division of Neuro-Oncology; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Nabors has nationally and internationally recognized skills in clinical care of brain tumor patients and pursuit of translational research in the subspecialty of neuro-oncology; and maintains an active laboratory and translational research program focused on the role of RNA binding proteins in cancer and advancing basic science observations into meaningful clinical trials for patients; and
WHEREAS, Dr. Nabors is a talented and thoughtful researcher who has contributed to our understandings of brain tumors in general, and gliomas in particular over the course of the decades of his career; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Nabors is highly respected by his colleagues and patients alike and possesses the vision, commitment, and skills to honor this prestigious Professorship with distinction; and

WHEREAS, members of the Search Committee have unanimously recommended that Dr. Nabors be appointed to the William Austin Brown Endowed Professorship in the School of Medicine and this Board believes it most appropriate for Dr. Nabors to be named to the William Austin Brown Endowed Professorship and honored as one of leaders in the O'Neal Comprehensive Cancer Center at UAB, with the full expectation that he will continue to contribute to UAB's national and international reputation for excellence in patient care, teaching, and research;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that Louis Burton Nabors, III, M.D., is hereby appointed as the first holder of the William Austin Brown Endowed Professorship in the O'Neal Comprehensive Cancer Center in the School of Medicine.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of this Board and that copies be sent to Louis Burton Nabors, III, M.D., Professor and Vice Chair of Research, Department of Neurology; to Selwyn M. Vickers, M.D., Senior Vice President for Medicine and Dean of the School of Medicine; to David G. Standaert, M.D., Ph.D., Chair of the Department of Neurology; and to other appropriate officials of The University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Granting Approval of the Appointment of John William Hutchings, Jr., Ph.D., as Professor Emeritus of English in the Department of English at UAB

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in special recognition of distinguished service to The University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) and the College of Arts and Sciences, UAB wishes to acknowledge John William Hutchings, Jr., Ph.D., by appointing him as Professor Emeritus of English in the Department of English; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hutchings, Professor in the College of Arts and Sciences, retired on August 31, 2020, after providing 39 years of faithful service to UAB; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hutchings earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in English from Transylvania University in 1972; his Masters of Arts degree in English from the University of Kentucky in 1974; and his Doctor of Philosophy degree in English from the University of Kentucky in 1981; and

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WHEREAS, Dr. Hutchings has been a scholar of 20th century British Novel; Modern British and European Drama; and World Literature; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hutchings has published widely on modern drama, including one monograph, one reference guide, one edited collection and many articles in journals and book collections; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hutchings has long served on the editorial board of Text and Presentation, which is published by the Comparative Drama Conference; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hutchings received the Eugene Current-Garcia Award for Distinction in Literary Scholarship in 2003 from the Association of College English Teachers of Alabama; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hutchings has consistently demonstrated his passion for teaching and dedication to his students, and has served as an influential mentor; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hutchings sponsored and coached many students for UAB’s Graduate Research Day and thus supported their success; and

WHEREAS, in 1996, Dr. Hutchings received the UAB President’s Award for Excellence in Teaching 1996; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hutchings has been a generous and dedicated guest lecturer at venues including the Alabama Shakespeare Festival, UAB’s Booktalk, UAB’s Freshman Discussion Book forums, the English-Speaking Union, the New Horizons lecture series, and many others; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hutchings was the monthly lecturer and discussion leader for the Book Group of Mountain Book from 2001-2019; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hutchings has annually volunteered his time to help Advanced Placement (AP) high school students improve their understanding of Shakespeare; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hutchings supported the work of the UAB Theatre Department by serving as the dramaturg for multiple productions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it approves appointment of John William Hutchings, Jr., Ph.D., as Professor Emeritus of English in the Department of English at The University of Alabama at Birmingham.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Board herein extends its deepest appreciation to Dr. Hutchings for his dedication and service to The University of Alabama at Birmingham, and to the people of this state and nation.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution is spread upon the permanent minutes of the Board and that copies are given to Dr. Hutchings to share with members of his family, and to other appropriate University officials.

Granting Approval of the Appointment of Ivan Brezovich, Ph.D., as Professor Emeritus of Physics in the Department of Radiation Oncology at UAB

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in special recognition of distinguished service to UAB and the School of Medicine, the UAB administration wishes to acknowledge Ivan Brezovich, Ph.D., by appointing him as Professor Emeritus of Physics in the Department of Radiation Oncology; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Brezovich retired on May 31, 2019 as Professor in the UAB Department of Radiation Oncology after providing 51 years of loyal and dedicated service to the University; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Brezovich earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Physics in 1968 from the University of Vienna, and his Master of Science degree in Physics in 1971 from UAB, and his Doctor of Philosophy degree in 1977 in Physics from UAB; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Brezovich began his career at UAB as a Teaching Fellow in 1968 in the UAB Department of Physics before becoming a Research Associate in 1975 in the UAB Department of Diagnostic Radiology. In 1977, Dr. Brezovich was appointed an Instructor in the Department of Radiation Oncology where he rose through the ranks to Professor in 1988; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Brezovich served as the Director of Radiation Physics in the Department of Radiation Oncology from 1987 to 2017; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Brezovich, during his tenure as Director of Physics, he made numerous contributions to science such as designing a stabilization circuit that is now part of all x-ray machines as well as providing novel treatment modalities as they emerged making UAB the leader for such treatments in Alabama and often the Southeast and;

WHEREAS, Dr. Brezovich, in collaboration with other faculty and students, developed ground breaking work in hyperthermia, the therapeutic use of heat for cancer and other diseases, and;

WHEREAS, Dr. Brezovich has consistently demonstrated his passion for teaching and dedication to students, and has ultimately served as an invaluable and influential mentor to students; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Brezovich has provided leadership for the department in truly
extraordinary ways and led the departments physics education efforts, and whose many former residents have gone on to become leaders in industry and patient care; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Brezovich was elected Councilor for Physics/Engineering in the North American Hyperthermia Group, 1989-1990; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Brezovich received the Jimmy O. Fenn Award from the South Eastern chapter of the American Associate of Physicists in Medicine in 2011; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Brezovich received the Outstanding Alumni Award from the UAB School of Natural Sciences and Mathematics in 2007; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Brezovich served on the Board of Directors for the American Association of Physicists in Medicine from 2009 through 2011;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it approves appointment of Ivan Brezovich, Ph.D., as Professor Emeritus of Physics in the Department of Radiation Oncology at The University of Alabama at Birmingham.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Board herein extends its deepest appreciation to Dr. Brezovich for his dedication and service to The University of Alabama at Birmingham, and to the people of this state and nation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution is spread upon the permanent minutes of this Board and that copies are given to Dr. Brezovich and to members of his family, and to other appropriate University officials.

Granting Approval of the Appointment of John Allen Dicks Cooper, Jr., M.D., as Professor Emeritus of Medicine in the Department of Medicine at UAB

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in special recognition of distinguished service to The University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) and the School of Medicine, the UAB administration wishes to acknowledge John Allen Dicks Cooper, Jr., M.D., by appointing him as Professor Emeritus of Medicine in the Department of Medicine; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cooper, Professor in the Department of Medicine, retired on December 31, 2018, after providing thirty years of faithful service to UAB; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cooper earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology in 1974 from Northwestern University, Evanston, IL, and his Doctor of Medicine degree in 1978 from Duke University, Durham, NC; and
WHEREAS Dr. Cooper completed his residency training at the University of Washington and University of Virginia then completed Fellowship training at Yale University followed by a junior faculty appointment (Assistant Professor) at Yale University; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cooper was recruited to UAB in 1988, obtaining the rank of Professor of Medicine in 1997; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cooper continued his service to the Department of Medicine and the Division of Pulmonary, Allergy and Critical Care Medicine as Professor until his retirement on December 31, 2018 after a total of 30 years of loyal and dedicated service; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cooper served as Director of the Pulmonary and Critical Care Fellowship Program at UAB from 1998 to 2013; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cooper has provided invaluable service to our veterans at the Birmingham Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center from 1992 to the present, serving as Medical Director for Respiratory Therapy and Chief, Pulmonary Section for all of these twenty eight years; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cooper has also served on numerous committees for the Birmingham Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center including, Birmingham VAMC Research and Development General Studies Subcommittee, the Birmingham VAMC Institutional Review Board, serving as Chairperson, and the Birmingham VAMC Compensation Panels; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cooper received a Top 10 Teacher Award in the Department of Medicine at UAB in 1993 and 2013; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cooper has been named to the Best Doctors in America, The Best Doctors in America: Southeast Region, America’s Top Doctors, Super Doctors Pulmonary Medicine, Birmingham, AL, and was included in AcademicsKeys Who’s Who in Medical Sciences Education; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cooper has served on numerous advisory boards and committees at UAB including the Department of Medicine Research Committee, Institutional Review Board for Human Use, the Department of Medicine Appointment, Promotion and Tenure Committee, the UAB Conflict of Interest Board and the Dean’s Council for Graduate Medical Education; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cooper is an active member of professional organizations including the American Thoracic Society, the American Federation for Clinical Research, the American Association of Immunologists, and the American College of Chest Physicians; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cooper has been recognized nationally for excellence in research by receiving awards including the American Lung Association Training Fellowship, the Winchester Research Fellowship, the Career Development Award, Veterans Administration,
the John P. Wyatt Traveling Fellow in Environmental Pathology, and by his election to the American Association of Immunologists; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cooper has authored and co-authored 26 Reviews and Book Chapters and 45 publications, which have been published in many high-impact journals such as the American Journal of Respiratory Medicine, American Journal of Respiratory Cell and Molecular Biology, and the New England Journal of Medicine; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cooper has provided invaluable leadership and committee service to various national organizations such as the American College of Chest Physicians, serving as Governor and Secretary to the Council of Governors; the Southern Section of the American Federation for Clinical Research; the American Thoracic Society; and as a Member of the American Board of Internal Medicine (ABIM) Pulmonary Disease Board;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it approves appointment of John Allen Dicks Cooper, Jr., M.D., as Professor Emeritus of Medicine in the Department of Medicine at The University of Alabama at Birmingham.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Board herein extends its deepest appreciation to Dr. Cooper for his dedication and service to The University of Alabama at Birmingham, and to the people of this state and nation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution is spread upon the permanent minutes of this Board and that copies are given to Dr. Cooper to share with members of his family, and to other appropriate University officials.

Granting Approval of the Appointment of Lawrence F. Johnson, M.D., F.A.C.P., as Professor Emeritus of Medicine in the Department of Medicine at UAB

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in special recognition of distinguished service to The University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) and the School of Medicine, the UAB administration wishes to acknowledge Lawrence F. Johnson, M.D., F.A.C.P., by appointing him as Professor Emeritus of Medicine; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Johnson served as Professor of Medicine at UAB from 1996 until his retirement on October 31, 2008 after a total of 12 years of loyal and dedicated service; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Johnson earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in Biology in 1959 from Virginia Military Institute, and his Doctor of Medicine degree from Medical College of Virginia in 1963; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Johnson received a joint appointment as a Professor of
Otolaryngology at UAB in 2017 for the close collaborations that he established with the Department of Otolaryngology in the management of oropharyngeal and esophageal disease(s), specifically those of the head and neck of cancer patients; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Johnson served as the Director of Esophageal Function and GI Laboratory within the Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology from 1996 until his retirement in 2008; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Johnson was awarded numerous medals and awards during his 30 years with the U.S. Army Medical Corps, including Meritorious Service Medals, Commendable Services Medals, Certificates of Appreciation, and Laureate Award; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Johnson served in the U.S. Army Medical Corps from 1964 until 1994 when he retired as Colonel; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Johnson served as Chief of Gastroenterology at two Army Medical Centers, Consultant in Gastroenterology to 3 Army Surgeons General, Director of Digestive Disease Division, Uniformed University of Health Sciences (USUHS) and Department of Defense (DOD) representative to National Institutes of Health (NIH) committees from 1970-1996; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Johnson served as Consultant in Gastroenterology to three Army Surgeons General from 1975 to 1986; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Johnson, upon retirement from the U.S. Army, was awarded The Army Legion of Merit (the third highest award) for the selfless dedication that resulted in innovative diagnosis and treatment of patients with digestive diseases as well as the education of young physicians committed to research and clinical excellence in Gastroenterology from 1984 to 1995; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Johnson has served as Consultant to the Veterans Administration, American Gastroenterological Association, American College of Gastroenterology and the Food and Drug Administration; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Johnson served as the Department of Defense (DOD) representative or that of professional gastrointestinal societies on National Institutes of Health (NIH) committees; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Johnson gained international recognition through his participation as an invited speaker, panel and committee member and chair, and poster reviewer at the 4th through 10th World Congress of the International Organization for Statistical Studies on Diseases of the Esophagus; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Johnson has many scholarly achievements showing insightful observations pursued independently with peers and junior staff involving multiple disciplines, culminating in publications in respected peer-reviewed journals. To investigate gastroesophageal reflux, he conceived a groundbreaking technique, 24-hour esophageal pH
monitoring, now employed worldwide. He then used this technique in asymptomatic controls and symptomatic patients to evaluate medical and surgical therapy and reflux pathophysiology; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Johnson is a recipient of the 1976 William Beaumont Clinical Research Award due to his development of techniques for monitoring asymptomatic controls and symptomatic patients to evaluate medical and surgical therapy and reflux pathophysiology. This award was given earlier to the late Basil I. Hirschowitz, M.D., Ph.D., the founding director of the Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology at UAB; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Johnson has been an active member of professional organizations and advisory boards including the American Gastroenterological Association, American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy, National Commission on Digestive Disease, National Digestive Disease Education and Information Clearinghouse National Institute of Diabetes, Digestive and Kidney Disease, American College of Physicians, and American Motility Society, Gastroenterology Research Group, American Federation for Clinical Research, Eastern Gut Club, International Organization for Statistical Studies on Diseases of the Esophagus; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Johnson has served as a reviewer for manuscripts submitted to journals such as New England Journal of Medicine, Annals of Internal Medicine, Gastroenterology, Journal of Clinical Investigation, Archives of Internal Medicine, American Journal of Gastroenterology, Alimentary Pharmacology & Therapeutics, Chest, Journal of Clinical Gastroenterology and The Journal of Critical Illness; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Johnson has authored and co-authored over 115 publications (which has generated over 9,000 citations by other authors of his writings) in many journals including Gastroenterology, Annals of Surgery, and Digestive Diseases and Sciences; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Johnson has written numerous book chapters including in books such as Developments in Digestive Disease, Clinical Relevance, Selected Articles on Water, Heat and Cold; Current Therapy 1981, Clinical Medicine, Esophageal Function in Health and Disease, Current Therapy in Gastroenterology and Liver Disease, Current Therapy in Internal Medicine, Esophageal Disorders – Pathophysiology and Therapy, Barrett’s Esophagus: Pathophysiology, Diagnosis and Management, Cancer of the Esophagus, Gastroenterological Endoscopy, and The Esophagus; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Johnson has been an invited guest speaker, panelist or oral presenter at numerous society meetings, universities, symposiums, and conferences throughout his career; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Johnson has been a long-time enjoyer of tennis and golf, serves as a deacon in his church, and serves on the advisory board of the Birmingham Salvation Army Command; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Johnson is deeply devoted to his wife, Eliza, and son, Lawrence Forsythe Johnson, Jr.;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it approves appointment of Lawrence F. Johnson, M.D., F.A.C.P., as Professor Emeritus of Medicine in the Department of Medicine at The University of Alabama at Birmingham.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Board herein extends its deepest appreciation to Dr. Johnson for his dedication and service to The University of Alabama at Birmingham, and to the people of this state and nation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution is spread upon the permanent minutes of this Board and that copies are given to Dr. Johnson to share with members of his family, and to other appropriate University officials.

Proposal for B.S. in Engineering Technology
CIP Code 15.0000

Purpose: Expand existing concentration into a standalone B.S. in Engineering Technology focused on the application of engineering and technology knowledge, critical thinking, and learning skills.

Need: The Greater Metropolitan Huntsville area is nationally recognized for their high-level of engineering and technology resources. A December 2019 Deloitte study identified that up to 25,000 jobs are expected in North Alabama over the next 2-3 years. Early 2020, Huntsville’s unemployment rate stood at 2.1%, suggesting a shortage of skilled workers to fill the influx of jobs.

Program: Proposed curriculum, available online and hybrid, will include hands-on labs and a senior capstone project, and will follow Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET) criteria. B.S.E.T. curriculum will support freshmen, transfer students and serve as a “landing” for engineering students who need a more technical and less mathematically rigorous degree. UWA and UNA have B.S. degrees in Engineering Technology.

Resources: Expand courses in the Engineering Technology Concentration by 2 to 4 courses, utilize existing College of Engineering courses as alternative credits, and hire another full-time faculty member.

Goals: Meet the needs of the regional workforce, provide a path for a four-year degree from community colleges, and support stop-out students with interests in engineering and technology fields.

Administration: Professional Studies Department is responsible for the B.S.E.T. degree.

Granting Approval of and Permission to Submit to the Alabama Commission on Higher Education (ACHE) a Proposal for a Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Chemistry (CIP Code 40.0501) at UAH

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Department of Chemistry in the College of Science at The University of Alabama in Huntsville proposes a novel Ph.D. in Chemistry with three pathways: Academic, Entrepreneur, and Executive; and

WHEREAS, the addition of the proposed Doctor of Philosophy in Chemistry will provide a research intensive degree program supported by industrial and commercial partners; and

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WHEREAS, the Doctor of Philosophy in Chemistry will train chemical scientists focused on a combination of advanced chemistry sciences with technology and business directed by demands from potential employers; and

WHEREAS, the proposed degree program will provide skills sets focused on technology and entrepreneurship required for successful start-ups and small to medium enterprises; and

WHEREAS, the addition of the Doctor of Philosophy in Chemistry will satisfy the current and future demands by educating students to formulate and solve technical problems in academic, commercial and industrial settings; and

WHEREAS, this program strengthens collaboration across disciplines and departments; and

WHEREAS, this program promotes and enhances the national and international reputation of the university and the department and enhances the ability to recruit students.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that the Board does hereby support the addition of the Doctor of Philosophy in Chemistry and grants permission to submit this Proposal (CIP code 40.0501) at The University of Alabama in Huntsville to the Alabama Commission on Higher Education.

Granting Approval of and Permission to Submit to the Alabama Commission on Higher Education (ACHE) a Proposal for a Bachelor of Science in Engineering Technology (CIP Code 15.0000) at UAH

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the College of Professional Studies at The University of Alabama in Huntsville proposes a Bachelor of Science in Engineering Technology; and

WHEREAS, the addition of the proposed Bachelor of Science in Engineering Technology will provide graduates a quality and relevant education that meets the needs of the regional workforce, provides a “next step” from community college related degrees, supports stop-out students interested in Engineering and Technology fields, and meets the objectives and criteria set by the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET); and

WHEREAS, this degree program will provide a related degree field for the College of Engineering to direct students who may not be able to complete in engineering and might otherwise select to stop-out; and
WHEREAS, the focus of the Bachelor of Science in Engineering Technology is on the application of engineering theory, whereas engineering programs are more focused on the development of engineering theory; and

WHEREAS, Engineering Technology takes a more applications-based approach to learning rather than a theoretical approach; and

WHEREAS, the Bachelor of Science in Engineering Technology will be developed using courses from the existing Engineering Technology concentration; and

WHEREAS, the program would offer an opportunity for individuals in the field to enhance their knowledge while also expanding future employment opportunities; and

WHEREAS, this program promotes and enhances the reputation of the university and the college and enhances the ability to recruit students.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that the Board does hereby support the addition of this program and grants permission to submit this Proposal for the Bachelor of Science in Engineering Technology CIP Code 15.0000 at The University of Alabama in Huntsville to the Alabama Commission on Higher Education.

Granting Approval of the Closure of Johnson Research Center/AL Solar Energy Center at UAH

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Johnson Research Center/AL Solar Energy Center was established in 1971 to conduct research in the area of alternative energy; and

WHEREAS, solar energy was a key area of research to deal with the mid-1970s oil crises; and as gasoline and natural gas prices declined in 1980s, interest and funding for alternate energy diminished significantly; and

WHEREAS, due to the lack of funding, UAH lost interest and invested in optics and propulsion; and

WHEREAS, Johnson Research Center/AL Solar Energy Center has no funding. The property and employees had already been absorbed by the Center for Applied Optics and the Propulsion Research Center.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that the Board supports and approves the closure of the Johnson Research Center/AL Solar Energy Center; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of the Board and that copies be sent to Darren Dawson, President of the University of Alabama in Huntsville, and placed in the M. Louis Salmon Library of the University of Alabama in Huntsville.

Granting Approval of the Appointment of David Berkowitz, Ph.D., as Professor Emeritus, in the Department of Management, Marketing, and Information Systems in the College of Business at UAH

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Dr. David Berkowitz has given twenty-five years of meritorious service to the Department of Management, Marketing, and Information Systems in the College of Business at The University of Alabama in Huntsville; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Berkowitz’s retirement became effective January 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Berkowitz received a Ph.D. degree in Marketing in 1997 from The University of Alabama, a Master’s in Business Administration Degree in 1980 from the University of Texas at Austin, and a Bachelor of Arts Degree in 1978 from Rutgers State University; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Berkowitz joined the faculty of The University of Alabama in Huntsville in 1996; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Berkowitz served on the faculty of The University of Alabama in Huntsville College of Business since 1996; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Berkowitz served as the Chair of the Department of Management, Marketing, and Management Science from 2007-2009; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Berkowitz served as the Director of the Center for the Management of Science and Technology from 2003-2007; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Berkowitz served as the Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Studies from 2011-2013; and

WHEREAS Dr. Berkowitz has served as the Dean of the Graduate School from 2013-2020; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Berkowitz received the 2010 College of Business Outstanding Faculty Award and the 2005 College of Business Outstanding Graduate Teacher Award; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Berkowitz throughout his years of service at The University of Alabama in Huntsville has contributed to the life of the institution through membership on many major college and university committees; and
WHEREAS, over the period of his service, Dr. Berkowitz has helped to maintain the standards of academic excellence in the Department of Management, Marketing, and Information Systems, the College of Business, The University of Alabama in Huntsville, and the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it expresses deep gratitude to Dr. Berkowitz and that he be named Professor Emeritus in recognition of his leadership as a faculty member in the Department of Management, Marketing, and Information Systems, his effectiveness in the classroom, his overall research accomplishments, his loyalty to The University of Alabama in Huntsville, and his service to The University of Alabama in Huntsville and the community.

Granting Approval of the Appointment of John E. Burnett, Ph.D., as Professor Emeritus, in the Department of Accounting, Economics and Finance in the College of Business at UAH

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Dr. John E. Burnett has given twenty-nine years of meritorious service to the Accounting, Economics and Finance Department in the College of Business at The University of Alabama in Huntsville; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Burnett’s retirement became effective December 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Burnett received a Ph.D. degree in Finance in 1992 from the University of Alabama, a Master’s degree in Mathematics in 1983 from Claremont Graduate University, and a Bachelor’s degree in Mathematics in 1981 from the University of New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Burnett joined the faculty of The University of Alabama in Huntsville in 1992; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Burnett served on the faculty at The University of Alabama in Huntsville College of Business since 1992; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Burnett served as the Associate Dean for the College of Business Administration from 2011-2012; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Burnett served as Interim Chair of the Accounting and Finance Department in the College of Business Administration at The University of Alabama in Huntsville from 2009-2011; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Burnett served as Director of Assessment and Accreditation in the College of Administrative Science from 2002-2004; and
WHEREAS, Dr. Burnett served as Assistant Dean of the College of Administrative Science from 1997-2002; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Burnett served as the co-founder of the UAH Capital Management Group (CMG) as a student club in 1998, and served as the CMG Faculty Advisor since 2004; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Burnett received the UAH University Distinguished Teaching Award in 2015, the College of Business Faculty Service Award in 2003 and 2020, the College of Administrative Science Teaching and Research awards in 1997; the University of Alabama Outstanding Dissertation Award in 1993; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Burnett throughout his years of service at The University of Alabama in Huntsville has contributed to the life of the institution through membership on many major college and university committees; and

WHEREAS, over the period of his service, Dr. Burnett has helped to maintain the standards of academic excellence in the Accounting, Economics and Finance Department; the College of Business; The University of Alabama in Huntsville, and the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it expresses deep gratitude to Dr. Burnett and that he be named Professor Emeritus in recognition of his leadership as a faculty member in the Accounting, Economics and Finance Department, his effectiveness in the classroom, his expertise in research activities, his loyalty to The University of Alabama in Huntsville, and his service to The University of Alabama in Huntsville and the community.

Granting Approval of the Appointment of Jeffrey H. Kulick, Ph.D., as Professor Emeritus, in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering in the College of Engineering at UAH

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Dr. Jeffrey H. Kulick has given thirty years of meritorious service to the Electrical and Computer Engineering Department in the College of Engineering at The University of Alabama in Huntsville; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Kulick’s retirement became effective on June 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Kulick received a bachelor’s degree in Engineering Physics in 1966 from New York University College of Engineering, a master’s degree in Electrical Engineering in 1970 from The University of Pennsylvania’s Moore School of Electrical Engineering, a doctoral degree in Electrical Engineering in 1973 from The University of Pennsylvania’s Moore School of Electrical Engineering; and
WHEREAS, Dr. Kulick joined the faculty of The University of Alabama in Huntsville in 1990 after holding faculty positions at Queen’s University in Kingston Ontario; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Kulick has served as Associate Professor and as Professor in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering in the College of Engineering at The University of Alabama in Huntsville; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Kulick received the 2018 College of Engineering University of Alabama Huntsville Lifetime Achievement Award; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Kulick throughout his years of service at The University of Alabama in Huntsville has contributed to the life of the institution through membership on many major college and university committees; and

WHEREAS, over the period of his service, Dr. Kulick has helped to maintain the standards of academic excellence in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, the College of Engineering, The University of Alabama in Huntsville, and the community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it expresses deep gratitude to Dr. Kulick and that he be named Professor Emeritus in recognition of his leadership as a faculty member in the Electrical and Computer Engineering Department, his effectiveness in the classroom, his expertise in research activities, his loyalty to The University of Alabama in Huntsville, and his service to The University of Alabama in Huntsville and the community.

Trustee Morrissette also reported that the Committee reviewed five information items:

Annual Review on Centers and Institutes per Board Rule 503 for UA, UAB, and UAH

Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges Fifth-Year Reporting Efforts at UA

Administrative Correction: Change the Business Administration B.S.C.B.A. (CIP Code 52.0201) at UA

Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges Fifth-Year Reporting Efforts at UAB

Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges Fifth-Year Reporting Efforts at UAH
Pilot of Test-Optional Admission for Undergraduates at UAB
Pro tem Starnes asked if there were questions or comments concerning any of the items. There were none.

Pro tem Starnes thanked Trustee Morrissette for his report and recognized Trustee Evelyn Mauldin for a report from the Honorary Degrees and Recognition Committee.

Trustee Mauldin reported that the Honorary Degrees and Recognition Committee met yesterday and considered 18 agenda items, all of which the Committee unanimously recommended for approval. Trustee Mauldin moved for their approval by the Board, which was seconded by Trustee Malone. Pro tem Starnes asked if there were questions or comments concerning any of the items. Hearing none, Pro tem Starnes then called for a vote, and the following resolutions were unanimously adopted, separately and collectively:

Approving the Establishment of the Bill and Mary Battle Endowed Presidential Fund for Excellence at UA

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, William R. Battle III and Mary C. Battle of Tuscaloosa, Alabama, have contributed $1,000,000 via The Battle Family Foundation to The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama to support The University of Alabama; and

WHEREAS, the donors desire that this gift be accepted and maintained by The University of Alabama as a permanent fund to be named the Bill and Mary Battle Endowed Presidential Fund for Excellence for the purposes and upon the conditions set out below:

1. The endowment earnings shall be used to provide key discretionary support for the University. The support fund shall be used for a variety of purposes in support of the President’s mission.

2. Earnings shall be expended by the Office of the President in accordance with University policies and procedures adopted from time to time, subject to the approval of the President of the University.

3. Persons or entities desiring to contribute to the Bill and Mary Battle Endowed Presidential Fund for Excellence shall be free to do so provided they accept the conditions governing this fund; and

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WHEREAS, William R. Battle, a leader on the Crimson Tide's 1961 national championship football team and former athletic director at The University of Alabama, earned a bachelor of science degree in education from The University of Alabama in 1963 and a master of science degree in education from the University of Oklahoma in 1964; and

WHEREAS, Mary C. Battle earned a bachelor of science degree in nursing from the University of Texas, and a master of science degree in health care administration from The University of Alabama at Birmingham; and

WHEREAS, through this endowment, the donor wishes to support The University of Alabama in perpetuity;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it hereby accepts the generous contribution of the donor and establishes the Bill and Mary Battle Endowed Presidential Fund for Excellence as a restricted endowed fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the initial gift and any future contributions to this fund shall constitute an endowed corpus, which will be held, invested, maintained, and administered by the University in perpetuity according to its policies and procedures adopted from time to time for endowed funds, and that the endowment earnings shall be used for needs that most closely relate to the donor's intent as stated herein, under the policies and procedures of the University adopted from time to time to regulate and administer such awards.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of this Board.

Approving the Establishment of the C.T. and Kelley Fitzpatrick Student Career Readiness Endowment and the C.T. and Kelley Fitzpatrick Advancing Culverhouse Excellence Endowment at UA

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, C.T. and Kelley Fitzpatrick of Mountain Brook, Alabama, have contributed $1,000,000 to The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama to establish the C.T. and Kelley Fitzpatrick Student Career Readiness Endowment and to support the Culverhouse College of Business at The University of Alabama; and

WHEREAS, the donors desire that this gift be accepted and maintained by The University of Alabama as a permanent fund to be named the C.T. and Kelley Fitzpatrick Student Career Readiness Endowment for the purposes and upon the conditions set out below:

1. Endowment earnings shall be used to provide the College the ability to improve infrastructure to support professional development and career
services for all Culverhouse undergraduate students, including program
development, professional development opportunities, and additional staff
as needed.

2. Earnings shall be expended by the Dean of the Culverhouse College of
Business in accordance with University policies and procedures adopted
from time to time, subject to the approval of the President of the University.

3. Persons or entities desiring to contribute to the C.T. and Kelley Fitzpatrick
Student Career Readiness Endowment shall be free to do so provided they
accept the conditions governing this fund; and

WHEREAS, C.T. and Kelley Fitzpatrick of Mountain Brook, Alabama, have
contributed $1,000,000 to The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama to establish
the C.T. and Kelley Fitzpatrick Advancing Culverhouse Excellence Endowment and support
the Culverhouse College of Business at The University of Alabama; and

WHEREAS, the donors desire that this gift be accepted and maintained by The
University of Alabama as a permanent fund to be named the C.T. and Kelley Fitzpatrick
Advancing Culverhouse Excellence Endowment for the purposes and upon the conditions
set out below:

1. Endowment earnings shall be used to bolster efforts that strategically
increase marketing and communication efforts that enhance awareness
and perceptions of the College as well as aid in activities that positively
influence academic rankings.

2. Earnings shall be expended by the Dean of the Culverhouse College of
Business in accordance with University policies and procedures adopted
from time to time, subject to the approval of the President of the University.

3. Persons or entities desiring to contribute to the C.T. and Kelley Fitzpatrick
Advancing Culverhouse Excellence Endowment shall be free to do so
provided they accept the conditions governing this fund; and

WHEREAS, C.T. Fitzpatrick, founder and CEO of Vulcan Value Partners, graduated
with honors in 1986 with a bachelor of science degree in corporate finance and a minor in
English, and in 1990 received his master of science degree in business administration from
the Owen Graduate School of Management at Vanderbilt University; and

WHEREAS, Kelley M. Fitzpatrick, a Tuscaloosa native and daughter of Lewis
Manderson, is a 1985 graduate of Sweet Briar College; and

WHEREAS, through these endowments, the donor wishes to support the Culverhouse
College of Business at The University of Alabama in perpetuity;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it hereby accepts the generous contributions of the donors and establishes the C.T. and Kelley Fitzpatrick Student Career Readiness Endowment and the C.T. and Kelley Fitzpatrick Advancing Culverhouse Excellence Endowment as restricted endowed funds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the initial gift and any future contributions to these funds shall constitute endowed corpora, which will be held, invested, maintained, and administered by the University in perpetuity according to its policies and procedures adopted from time to time for endowed funds, and that the endowment earnings shall be used for needs that most closely relate to the donors' intent as stated herein, under the policies and procedures of the University adopted from time to time to regulate and administer such awards.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of this Board.

Approving Naming Opportunities in the Clothing Textiles and Interior Design Program and Fashion Archives Building at UA

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Dr. Stuart Usdan, Dean of the College of Human Environmental Sciences, desires to undertake a fundraising plan in which definable portions of the former Alpha Gamma Delta House (the future “Clothing Textiles and Interior Design Program and Fashion Archives Building”) would be given donors’ names in compliance with Board Rules 104 and 411; and

WHEREAS, Dean Usdan has submitted to Dr. Stuart Bell, President of The University of Alabama, a list of naming opportunities and the gift amounts required for each; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Bell recommends that the naming opportunities and gift amounts be approved as part of the College of Human Environmental Sciences’ ongoing mission to promote the education of students at The University of Alabama;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it hereby accepts the recommendation of the President and approves the naming opportunities contained within this list.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the attached list detailing the naming opportunities and gift amounts is made a part of this resolution by reference.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, pursuant to Board Rule 411, all proposed namings resulting from the fundraising efforts shall be conditioned on Board approval and shall be submitted to the Chancellor and the Board for approval in compliance with Board Rule 411.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, pursuant to Board Rule 104, no donor shall have a building named in his or her honor unless he or she has contributed the minimum amount to name a building, room, or space as stipulated in Board Rule 411, unless the Board finds special need for making an exception.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of the Board.

Approving the Naming of Randall Way at UA

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Dr. Catherine J. Randall of Tuscaloosa, Alabama, has a long and storied history of giving significantly to The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama and has recently made a substantial contribution to the Campaign for the Performing Arts; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Randall earned several degrees at The University of Alabama, with her most recent degree coming in 2001 when she earned a Doctorate in Philosophy. The University’s Catherine J. Randall Research Scholars Program is in honor of her generosity to the program and her service as director of computer-based honors. Dr. Randall is currently the co-owner of the real estate company, ROAR LLC; and

WHEREAS, Henry Pettus Randall III, deceased, earned several degrees at The University of Alabama, accomplished much in his 57 years of life, and is fondly remembered for his business acumen and community service; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Board Rules 104 and 411, and in recognition of H. Pettus Randall III and Dr. Catherine J. Randall’s generous support to The University of Alabama, Dr. Stuart R. Bell, President of The University of Alabama, recommends that North Campus Way be named Randall Way.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it hereby accepts the recommendation of the President and names North Campus Way Randall Way.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of this Board.

Approving Reinvestment of Earnings to The University of Alabama Academic Chair in the College of Human Environmental Sciences Quasi-Endowed Fund at UA
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on December 12, 1996, The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama established an endowment known as The University of Alabama Academic Chair in the College of Human Environmental Sciences at The University of Alabama; and

WHEREAS, it is now the desire of the College of Human Environmental Sciences to reinvest earnings in the amount of $200,000 for the purpose of enhancing the corpus of this endowment; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it hereby acknowledges and accepts the reinvested earnings of $200,000 and herewith approves the addition of these funds to the related quasi-endowment to function together with The University of Alabama Academic Chair in the College of Human Environmental Sciences, a pure endowment of the University.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this transfer of earnings will constitute a quasi-endowed corpus, which will be held, invested, maintained, and administered by the University according to its policies and procedures adopted from time to time for quasi-endowed funds, and that the quasi-endowment earnings shall be used for needs that most closely relate to the donor’s intent, as stated herein, under the policies and procedures of the University adopted from time to time to regulate and administer such awards.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of this Board.

Approving the Revision of the John Howell Pearson Endowed Scholarship in Accounting at UA

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the John Howell Pearson Endowed Scholarship in Accounting was established by action of The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama on June 12, 1997, through a duly adopted resolution utilizing gifts contributed by Jack H. Pearson and Sue A. Pearson of Hoover, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, the John Howell Pearson Endowed Scholarship in SGA was established by action of The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama on June 20, 2008, through a duly adopted resolution utilizing gifts contributed by Jack H. Pearson and Sue A. Pearson of Hoover, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, the donors request that The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama revise the two scholarships to combine them into one scholarship; and

WHEREAS, the donors request that The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama rescind the 2008 resolution that previously stated:
1. Priority of consideration shall be given to currently enrolled students participating in the Student Government Association. Recipients shall be selected on the basis of high character and demonstrated record of service and leadership in the Student Government Association.

WHEREAS, the donors request that the gifts to the John Howell Pearson Endowed Scholarship in SGA be combined with the gifts to the John Howell Pearson Endowed Scholarship in Accounting; and

WHEREAS, in addition, the Division of Advancement at The University of Alabama requests the resolution be revised to reflect current University policies and procedures and to conform to University of Alabama standard language and editorial style;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, as a result of these changes, the revised resolution shall read as follows:

WHEREAS, Jack H. Pearson and Sue A. Pearson of Hoover, Alabama, have contributed gifts to The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama in memory of their son, John Howell Pearson, and to promote the education of students in the Culverhouse School of Accountancy in the Culverhouse College of Business; and

WHEREAS, these gifts have been placed in the John Howell Pearson Endowed Scholarship in Accounting and shall be maintained for the purposes and upon the conditions set out below:

1. Priority of consideration shall be given to students who intend to pursue a degree in accounting, have demonstrated strong character and commitment as evidenced by involvement in community activities, school activities and/or employment, and have a 2.5 or higher grade point average on a 4.0 scale. Preference is given to students from the state of Alabama.

2. Recipients shall be determined by the standing scholarship committee of the Culverhouse School of Accountancy. The committee may include the Dean of the College or his/her designee. Decisions of the committee shall be made in accordance with University policies and procedures adopted from time to time, subject to the approval of the Dean of the College and the President of the University, and coordinated with the Office of Admissions or such University office designated by the President for coordination of such awards.

3. Persons or entities desiring to contribute to the John Howell Pearson Endowed Scholarship in Accounting shall be free to do so provided they accept the conditions governing this fund; and

WHEREAS, through this endowment, the donors wish to support academic excellence within the Culverhouse School of Accountancy in the Culverhouse College of Business at The University of Alabama in perpetuity;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it hereby adopts the conditions described herein for future governance of the John Howell Pearson Endowed Scholarship in Accounting, a restricted endowed fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the initial gift and all past and future contributions to this fund shall constitute an endowed corpus, which will be held, invested, maintained, and administered by the University in perpetuity according to its policies and procedures adopted from time to time for endowed funds, and that the endowment earnings shall be used for needs that most closely relate to the donors' intent as stated herein, under the policies and procedures of the University adopted from time to time to regulate and administer such awards.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of this Board.

Approving the Revision of the Ralph H. Cassell Endowed Professorship in Marketing at UA

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Gail and Ralph Cassell Endowed Support Fund for Faculty Excellence in the Culverhouse College of Commerce and Business Administration was established by action of The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama on June 15, 2007, through a duly adopted resolution utilizing gifts contributed by Dr. Gail H. Cassell and Ralph H. Cassell of Carmel, Indiana; and

WHEREAS, the donor requests that The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama revise the name of the fund, as stated in the June 15, 2007 resolution as the Gail and Ralph Cassell Endowed Support fund for Faculty Excellence in the Culverhouse College of Commerce and Business Administration; and

WHEREAS, the donor requests that The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama revise the purpose of the fund previously stated in the 2007 resolution:

1. The Gail and Ralph Cassell Endowed Support Fund for Faculty Excellence in the Culverhouse College of Commerce and Business Administration shall be used to attract and retain outstanding faculty in the field of marketing who will make a difference in the quality of instruction in the Culverhouse College of Commerce and Business Administration. Earnings shall be used for supplementary salary support and other expenses for faculty members who shall be called Cassell Faculty Fellows; and

WHEREAS, in addition, the Division of Advancement at The University of Alabama requests the resolution be revised to reflect current University policies and procedures and to conform to University of Alabama standard language and editorial style;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, as a result of these changes, the revised resolution shall read as follows:

WHEREAS, Dr. Gail H. and Ralph H. Cassell of Carmel, Indiana, have contributed $500,437.41 to The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama to promote faculty excellence in the Culverhouse College of Business at The University of Alabama; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Gail H. and Ralph H. Cassell desire that this gift be accepted and maintained by The University of Alabama as a permanent fund to be named the Ralph H. Cassell Endowed Professorship in Marketing in the Culverhouse College of Business for the purposes and upon the conditions set out below:

1. The Ralph H. Cassell Endowed Professorship in Marketing shall be used to attract and/or retain a nationally recognized scholar and/or expert in the field of marketing who will make a difference in the quality of teaching and research in the Culverhouse College of Business. Earnings shall be used at the discretion of the Dean of the College with the approval of the President of the University for broad support of the teaching, service, and research efforts of the holder of the professorship, including, but not limited to, salary support, graduate research assistantships, research equipment, and support for research efforts. It is the donor’s intent that the holder of the professorship retain the title for as long as they are deserving. The professorship shall be reviewed every five years and will be renewed as long as the Professor maintains an outstanding scholarship record and is an excellent professor.

2. Criteria and procedures for recruiting and selecting the professorship shall follow those set out in the most current edition of The University of Alabama Faculty Handbook regarding appointments to endowed chairs and professorships and shall be made in accordance with University policies and procedures adopted from time to time, subject to the approval of the Dean of the Culverhouse College of Business and the President of the University and coordinated with the Provost.

3. It is the donor’s intent that as many professorships as possible be awarded as earnings permit.

4. Persons or entities desiring to contribute to the Ralph H. Cassell Endowed Professorship in Marketing in the Culverhouse College of Business shall be free to do so provided they accept the conditions governing this fund; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Gail H. Cassell graduated from The University of Alabama in 1969 with a bachelor of science degree in microbiology and earned a master’s degree and doctorate in microbiology from the University of Alabama at Birmingham; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Ralph H. Cassell graduated from The University of Alabama in 1968 with a bachelor of science degree in commerce and business administration and earned a master of business administration degree from Samford University in 1970; and

WHEREAS, through this endowment, Dr. and Mr. Cassell wish to support academic excellence within the Culverhouse College of Business at The University of Alabama in perpetuity;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it hereby accepts the generous contributions of the donor and establishes the Ralph H. Cassell Endowed Professorship in Marketing in the Culverhouse College of Business as a restricted endowed fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the initial gifts and any future contributions to this fund shall constitute an endowed corpus, which will be held, invested, maintained, and administered by the University in perpetuity according to its policies and procedures adopted from time to time for endowed funds, and that the endowment earnings shall be used for needs that most closely relate to the donor’s intent as stated herein, under the policies and procedures of the University adopted from time to time to regulate and administer such funds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of this Board.

Approving Endowed Funds at UA

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in compliance with Board Rule 411, the President of The University of Alabama recommends that the following funds, having met the minimum standards for endowed gifts, be endowed as part of the University’s ongoing mission to promote the education of students and to provide quality programs in the areas of teaching, research, and service:

Dr. Richard A. Arnold of Pleasant Hill, California, has contributed $25,409.81, including earnings, to endow the Gladys Blakney Arnold Endowed Scholarship. The scholarship will benefit students who are enrolled in the College of Human Environmental Sciences, who graduated from a high school in Lamar County, Alabama, and who demonstrate financial need, although not necessarily need as defined by federal guidelines.

Dr. Cathy F. Ayers of Tuscaloosa, Alabama, has contributed $30,000 to endow the Dr. Cathy Ayers Endowed Support Fund in Honor of Drs. Annette Shelby and E. Culpepper Clark. The fund will be used to support Tisch Student Services & External Relations in the College of Communication and Information Sciences at the University, providing support to high achieving students who demonstrate financial need, although not necessarily need as defined by federal guidelines and seeking to participate in co-curricular educationally
enhancing opportunities relating to experiential learning, travel and professional development.

Tom A. Chadwell of Newport Beach, California, has contributed $50,000 to endow the Mary Joyce Champion Burlin Endowed Scholarship. To the extent allowed by law, the scholarship will benefit female students who are considered first-generation college students, graduated from a high school in Alabama and are majoring in a degree in the field of science or technology.

Laura B. Lucas and Alfred J. Lucas of Mountain Brook, Alabama, have contributed $25,000 to endow the William Edward Burrus Jr. Endowed Scholarship in the Culverhouse College of Business. The scholarship will benefit students who are enrolled in the Culverhouse College of Business, possess a 3.0 or higher grade point average on a 4.0 scale and who demonstrate financial need, although not necessarily need as defined by federal guidelines.

Sigma Nu Alumni Association, Theta Chapter, of Tuscaloosa, Alabama, has contributed $23,460.83, including earnings, to endow the Ralph Cordes Endowed Scholarship. The scholarship, to the extent permitted by law, will benefit male students who are members of the Theta Chapter of Sigma Nu Fraternity who demonstrate commitment to the fraternity and the chapter.

Howard L. and Angela W. Einstein of Greenville, South Carolina, have contributed $61,238.38, including earnings, to endow the Howard and Angela Einstein Family Endowed Scholarship. The scholarship will benefit students who are enrolled at The University of Alabama and who graduated from a high school in Greenville, South Carolina.

Susan R. Gravlee of Tuscaloosa, Alabama, has contributed $25,226.57, including earnings, to endow the Greg Friedman Endowed Support Fund. The fund will be used to support the needs of the hospitality program, with a specific focus in the area of hotel management.

John W. Giambalvo and Bonnie I. Giambalvo of York, Pennsylvania, have contributed $50,000 to endow the Giambalvo Neonatal and Pediatric Nursing Endowed Scholarship. The scholarship will benefit students who are enrolled in the Capstone College of Nursing, demonstrate financial need, although not necessarily need as defined by federal guidelines, and have an interest in pediatric care or neonatal/newborn care. Preference should be given to fifth semester students.

Rosemore Family Foundation Inc. of Red Bay, Alabama, has contributed $25,338.69, including earnings, to endow the Susan and Macon Gravlee Jr. Capstone Men and Women Endowed Scholarship. The scholarship will benefit students participating in the Capstone Men and Women program who demonstrate financial need, although not necessarily need as defined by federal guidelines.

Agatha M. King and George King of Quemado, New Mexico, have contributed $25,000 to endow the Agatha Marie Conrad King Family Leadership Endowed
Scholarship. The scholarship will benefit students who are enrolled in the RN to BSN Mobility Program in the Capstone College of Nursing and who exhibit leadership experience.

Robert R. Levine and Susan C. Levine of Grand Rapids, Michigan, have contributed $102,350.21 toward a pledge of $500,000 to endow the Levine Family Graduate Business Endowed Scholarship. The scholarship will benefit students who are enrolled in a master’s program in the Manderson Graduate School of Business in the Culverhouse College of Business.

Douglas A. Moore and Karen M. Moore of Indian Springs, Alabama, have contributed a gift of property with an estimated value of $100,000 and an additional gift of $25,000 to endow the Douglas A. Moore Endowed Scholarship. The scholarship will benefit students enrolled in the College of Engineering.

Johnny L. Prewitt of Larkspur, California, has contributed $25,000 to endow the Johnny Prewitt Endowed Scholarship. The scholarship will benefit students enrolled in the School of Social Work who graduated from a high school in Mobile County, Alabama, and demonstrate financial need, although not necessarily need as defined by federal guidelines.

The Adelia Russell Charitable Foundation of Alexander City, Alabama, has contributed $80,000 toward a pledge of $400,000 to endow the Russell-Hendrix University Libraries Endowment for Excellence. The fund will be used to support daily operations and special projects, purchase the latest technology and innovative educational programs, host lectures and related programming, and enhance special and general collections.

Tyrell Jordan of Birmingham, Alabama, has contributed $28,909.81, including earnings, to endow the TFJ Law Firm Endowed Scholarship. The scholarship will benefit students who graduated from high schools in Jefferson County, Alabama, demonstrate financial need, although not necessarily need as defined by federal guidelines, and whose enrollment would enhance the diversity of the University’s student population, thereby improving the quality of the University’s educational experience and product.

Members of the Women of the Capstone of Tuscaloosa, Alabama, have contributed $27,884.13, including earnings, to endow the Women of the Capstone Endowed Scholarship. The scholarship will benefit students who demonstrate academic excellence and leadership through their work experience or volunteer experience and who have faced hardships in either their personal lives or at home and may not otherwise be able to attend college due to financial need.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it hereby accepts the generous contributions of the donors and establishes the endowed funds listed above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the initial gifts and all future contributions to these funds shall constitute endowed corpora, which will be held, invested, maintained and administered by the University in perpetuity according to its policies and procedures.
adopted from time to time for endowed funds, and that the endowments' earnings shall be used for needs that most closely relate to the donors' intent as stated in each fund's memorandum of agreement, under the policies and procedures of the University adopted from time to time to regulate and administer such awards.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the donors and/or donor representatives for the funds listed above be notified that the funds have been endowed in perpetuity.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of this Board.

Approving Naming of the Jacob Seitz Head Coach Office at UAB

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on June 17, 2016, The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama approved the final project budget and provided authorization to execute construction contracts for the Football Operations Building at The University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB); and

WHEREAS, on June 16, 2017, The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama approved naming opportunities for the Football Operations Building at UAB, which included the Head Coach's office, given by Jimmy and Carol Filler; and

WHEREAS, at the time of their gift, Mr. and Mrs. Filler chose to use the name “Filler Head Coach’s Office” and now wish to change the name to honor the memory of their nephew, former UAB football player Jacob Seitz; and

WHEREAS, Jacob “Jake” Seitz was an all-conference player, had an impressive 48 consecutive starts, and later served as a graduate assistant coach and offensive analyst for the Blazers; and

WHEREAS, Jake passed away unexpectedly on November 3, 2020, at the age of 33; and

WHEREAS, the donors wish to pay tribute to Jake by changing the name of the Head Coach’s office to the “Jacob Seitz Head Coach’s Office”;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it hereby accepts the change and herewith establishes this naming opportunity on behalf of the Football Operations Building at UAB

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of this Board and that copies be sent to Mr. Mark Ingram, Athletics Director, and to other appropriate officials of The University of Alabama at Birmingham.
Approving Naming of the New Residence Hall in Honor of Trustee Emeritus John J. McMahon, Jr. at UAB

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, it is the wish of the administration of The University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) to honor the immeasurable contributions of Trustee Emeritus John J. McMahon, Jr.—to the University, UAB Health System, University of Alabama Health Services Foundation, The University of Alabama System, and the state of Alabama—through the naming of the new residence hall on the UAB campus as the John J. McMahon Jr. Residence Hall, to be commonly known as McMahon Hall; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McMahon, together with his wife Betty, has made significant and substantial contributions to UAB supporting many priority initiatives across campus, such as endowed scholarships, endowed chairs, patient care, the arts, athletics, and research into aging, cardiology, neurosurgery, and orthopedics, and these gifts have touched—in some way and in perhaps multiple ways—students, faculty members, patients, and employees of this great University; and

WHEREAS, a well-known business and community leader in Birmingham, Mr. McMahon has supported numerous civic and public efforts of statewide significance during his career, and he has had an incredible impact on education, health care, and the arts, particularly as it relates to the campuses of The University of Alabama System, positively affecting all Alabama citizens; and

WHEREAS, a native of Birmingham, Mr. McMahon received his undergraduate degree from Birmingham-Southern College in 1965, and he received his law degree at The University of Alabama in 1968; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McMahon is cofounder of Ligon Industries, LLC, and serves as its Chairman, and he has been involved in direct equity investing since 1976 and in over 35 acquisitions ranging from publicly held companies to small privately held companies; and

WHEREAS, he served as President of McWane, Inc., from 1980 to 1995 and Chairman of the Board from 1995 to 1998, and under his leadership, the company became one of the largest and most significant private companies in Alabama; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure at the company, McWane, Inc., played a major role in supporting public and civic activities in the Birmingham area, including the creation of the McWane Science Center and the establishment of the first true merit scholarship at Birmingham-Southern College in order to attract and retain exceptional young people to the state; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McMahon was also involved in the creation of the National Bank of Commerce, which became the state's largest privately owned bank and is now part of National Commerce Corporation, one of the largest bank holding companies headquartered in Alabama; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. McMahon was instrumental in the organization and creation of the Birmingham Airport Authority, serving as Chairman of the committee that supervised the rebuilding of the airport terminal, and because of the Authority’s renovation and improvement efforts, the Birmingham airport experienced a significant increase in air transportation service; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McMahon worked with McWane and Hugh Kaul Foundation to sponsor an evaluation of the Birmingham Police Department, which led to the adoption of a number of nationally recognized crime-fighting techniques and the creation of the Birmingham Police Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McMahon has served on numerous boards including the Alabama National Bancorporation, National Bank of Commerce, ProAssurance Corporation, Protective Life Insurance Company, The John H. Harland Company, Cooper/T. Smith Corporation, Birmingham Airport Authority, Birmingham Police Foundation, Birmingham Opera, Hugh Kaul Foundation, Birmingham-Southern College, UAB Health System, University of Alabama Health Services Foundation, and The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama, where he served three terms as President Pro Tempore and chaired numerous standing committees including athletics, compensation, executive, finance, and investment; and

WHEREAS, an interest in health care led to Mr. McMahon’s involvement in the organization of the UAB Health System, which provided the first fully integrated health system in Alabama, and he served as the organization’s first Chairman, providing a clear vision and foundation for the future of UAB Medicine; and

WHEREAS, the naming of this new residence hall as the John J. McMahon Jr. Residence Hall will serve as a lasting testament to Mr. McMahon’s outstanding giving, along with his record of service to the community of Birmingham, the state of Alabama, and The University of Alabama System, and in particular his continuing support for and interest in the growth and reputation of The University of Alabama at Birmingham and its mission to provide excellence in research, education, patient care, community outreach, and economic development;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it hereby expresses its profound appreciation to Trustee Emeritus John J. McMahon, Jr., and herewith approves naming of the new residence hall at UAB as the John J. McMahon Jr. Residence Hall, to be commonly known as McMahon Hall.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of the Board and that copies or parts of it be shared with Mr. and Mrs. John J. McMahon, Jr., to share with family and friends and to other appropriate officials of The University of Alabama at Birmingham.
Approving Naming Opportunities in Volker Hall at UAB

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on November 8, 2019, The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama approved the proposed renovation project for the sixth floor of Volker Hall at The University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB); and

WHEREAS, on April 10, 2020, the Board approved naming opportunities for the atrium and areas of the second floor, and sixth floor of Volker Hall; and

WHEREAS, the School of Medicine at UAB has made changes to the original naming opportunities to the sixth floor of Volker Hall and wishes to add additional naming opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the School of Medicine requests permission to begin fundraising efforts for additional naming opportunities for the sixth floor of Volker Hall;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it hereby grants approval of and permission to begin fundraising efforts for naming opportunities in Volker Hall at UAB.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of this Board and that copies or any parts of it be sent to Selwyn M. Vickers, M.D., Senior Vice President and Dean of the School of Medicine, and to other appropriate officials of The University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Approving Endowed Funds at UAB

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in compliance with Board Rule 411, the President of The University of Alabama at Birmingham recommends that the following funds, having met the minimum standards for endowed gifts, be endowed as part of the University’s ongoing mission to promote the education of students and to provide quality programs in the areas of teaching, research, and service:

Friends and colleagues of Lanning Kline, M.D., have made gifts totaling $71,630 for the purpose of establishing the Lanning Kline Visionary Endowed Support Fund in the Department of Ophthalmology. This fund will be used to support junior faculty or to provide bridge funding when senior faculty are between grants.

Jim and Tina Burkhart, of Tampa, Florida, have given $25,000 for the establishment of the James R. and Tina D. Burkhart Endowed Support Fund in Health Administration. The fund will support Ph.D. students in the Administration-Health Services program with tuition, travel fees associated with professional development, and/or costs associated with publishing research.
Bob and Joy Hernandez, of Birmingham, Alabama, have given $25,000 for the establishment of the Hernandez Family Endowed Scholarship. This fund will be used to support deserving students in the Executive Doctor of Science in Healthcare Leadership Program in the Department of Health Services Administration in the School of Health Professions.

James Alan and Constandina B. Long, of Mountain Brook, Alabama, along with other various friends and colleagues, have generously given $147,785 for the establishment of the Gary D. Monheit, M.D., Endowed Faculty Scholar in honor of Dr. Gary Monheit. This tribute to Dr. Monheit’s nearly half-century of excellence in the field of dermatology will support the research, scholarly, and clinical efforts of a distinguished faculty member in the Department of Dermatology.

Dr. Larry Powell and various friends and colleagues have given gifts totaling $15,115 to establish the Dr. Larry Powell Endowed Award in honor of longtime faculty member Dr. Larry Powell. The award will be used to assist deserving students who are enrolled in the Department of Communication Studies in the College of Arts and Sciences.

Friends and colleagues of Dr. Meredith Lamar Kilgore, along with departmental funds from Dr. Paul Muntner’s residual account and Dr. Michael Saag’s ACIP Lab Services account, have given $75,350 to establish the Meredith Kilgore Endowed Lecture in Outcomes Research. This fund will be used to bring a distinguished scholar to the university each year to lecture on an outcomes research topic with a focus on methodological and measurement issues inherent to such research—Dr. Kilgore’s passion and an essential component of rigorous scientific inquiry.

Elva Lynita Katerina Caudill, of Birmingham, Alabama, has given $250,000 to establish the Bill and Methyl Caudill Endowed Lectureship in the Comprehensive Cardiovascular Center. This fund will provide support in perpetuity for lectureships that promote education and collaboration in the fields of cardiovascular medicine and research, including heart transplantation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it hereby accepts the generous contributions of the donors and establishes the endowed funds listed above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the initial gifts and all future contributions to these funds shall constitute endowed corpora, which will be held, invested, maintained and administered by the University in perpetuity according to its policies and procedures adopted from time to time for endowed funds, and that the endowments’ earnings shall be used for needs that most closely relate to the donors’ intent as stated in each fund’s memorandum of agreement, under the policies and procedures of the University adopted from time to time to regulate and administer such awards.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the donors and/or donor representatives for the funds listed above be notified that the funds have been endowed in perpetuity.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of this Board.

Approving Quasi Endowed Funds at UAB

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in compliance with Board Rule 411, the President of The University of Alabama at Birmingham recommends that the following funds, having met the minimum standards for endowed gifts, be quasi endowed as part of the University’s ongoing mission to promote the education of students and to provide quality programs in the areas of teaching, research, and service:

The Office of the Vice President for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion wishes to use funds of $25,778 to fund a new quasi endowment in honor of the late Representative John Lewis titled the John Lewis “Good and Necessary Trouble” (GANT) Endowed Scholarship. This scholarship will provide a service learning opportunity for students that integrates research and community-based practice in addressing social change throughout UAB and surrounding areas.

The University wishes to use philanthropic funds of $276,000 for the establishment of a quasi endowment related to the existing pure endowment titled the Goodrich Chair of Cardiovascular Surgery to enhance the endowment corpus.

The Department of Theatre in the College of Arts and Sciences wishes to use funds of $10,000 for the establishment of a quasi endowment related to the existing pure endowment titled the Gardner-Haabauer Alumni Endowed Award to enhance the endowment corpus.

The Department of Medical Education in the School of Medicine wishes to use anonymous bequest funds of $1,541,825.43 to fund the Physicians of Tomorrow Endowed Medical Scholarship. This scholarship will support deserving medical students in the School.

The Department of Ophthalmology wishes to reinvest earnings of $20,000 for the purpose of enhancing the corpus of the Kelley and C.T. Fitzpatrick Endowed Chair in Ophthalmology.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it hereby approves the additions to and establishment of the quasi endowed funds listed above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of this Board.
Approving Renaming of the deciBel Research Communication and Signal Process Laboratory, Room 264 in the Engineering Building at UAH

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in compliance with Board Rule 411, the President of The University of Alabama in Huntsville recommends that the following gift, having met the minimum standards for naming, be used as part of the University’s ongoing mission to promote the education of students and to provide quality programs in the areas of teaching, research, and service:

deciBel has committed a total of $90,000 to be funded by 2024, with 44%, or $50,000, received as of December 2020, to name Room 264 in the Engineering Building, the deciBel Research Communications and Signal Processing Laboratory. deciBel Research is a high-technology company focused on providing innovative solutions to the Department of Defense.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it hereby expresses its appreciation for the generosity demonstrated by the donors presented above and herein conveys its gratitude for these gifts to support The University of Alabama in Huntsville.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of this Board.

1 deciBel Research has given $50,000 in December 2020. The remaining $40,000 will be paid in $10,000 annual installments due by December of each year until 2024.

Approving Endowed Funds at UAH

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in compliance with Board Rule 411, the President of The University of Alabama in Huntsville (UAH) recommends that the following fund, having met the minimum standards for endowed gifts, be endowed as part of the University’s ongoing mission to promote the education of students and to provide quality programs in the areas of teaching, research, and service:

Mr. James Gordon Hughes, Sr., has given $25,000 for the establishment of the James Gordon Hughes, Sr. Scholarship in Nursing, along with an additional gift of $1,250 to be immediately awarded, both of which will be used to support deserving students in the Nursing Program in the College of Nursing at UAH;
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the University of Alabama that it hereby accepts the above contributions and establishes the endowed funds listed above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the initial gifts and all future contributions to these funds shall constitute endowed corpora, which will be held, invested, maintained and administered by the University in perpetuity according to its policies and procedures adopted from time to time for endowed funds, and that the endowments' earnings shall be used for needs that most closely relate to the donors’ intent as stated in each fund's memorandum of agreement, under the policies and procedures of the University adopted from time to time to regulate and administer such awards;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the donors and/or donor representatives for the funds listed above be notified that the funds have been endowed in perpetuity;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of this Board.

Approving Resolution of Acknowledgement and Appreciation of Gifts at UAH

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the President of The University of Alabama in Huntsville (UAH) recommends acknowledgment and appreciation of the following gifts, to be used as part of the University’s ongoing mission to promote the education of students and to provide quality programs in the areas of teaching, research, and service; and

Aerojet Rocketdyne, Inc., has given $200,000 to further fund the Aerojet Rocketdyne Chair in Space Science, which will be used for purposes related to the recruitment, selection, and appointment of the Aerojet Rocketdyne Chair;

Bryant Bank has given $100,000 to support its Bryant Bank UAH Excellence in Nursing Scholarship, a non-endowed fund used to support promising UPNP students in the College of Nursing program at UAH. Additionally, Bryant Bank has given $25,000 to the Charger Athletics Excellence Fund to support purposes within the athletics program at UAH;

The Boeing Company has given $34,500 to support the Boeing Engineering Annual Scholarship, the Fusion Propulsion Course, the Society of Women Engineers, the National Society of Black Engineers, the Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers, and to the Integrated Product Teams within the College of Engineering at UAH. Additionally, The Boeing Company has given $21,750 to support the Boeing Business Annual Scholarships and the Boeing New Venture Challenge, both offered within the College of Business at UAH;

The Jane K. Lowe Charitable Foundation has given $50,000 to support the maintenance, preservation, and restoration of the historic Lowe House, the residence of the University president and location for University and community events for UAH.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it hereby expresses its appreciation for the generosity demonstrated by the donors presented above and herein conveys its gratitude for these gifts to support The University of Alabama in Huntsville.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of this Board.

Trustee Brooks then commented on the establishment of the Bill and Mary Battle Endowed Presidential Fund for Excellence:

I was remiss earlier in not making a comment regarding the Bill and Mary Battles contribution to The University of Alabama. Like so many of our great donors, I really believe that Mary and Bill Battle wake up every morning and say, “what can we do today to make The University of Alabama a better place”. They have done so again and again and again, and it just continues. There are no words truly that we can say that can say that will ever thank them enough. They are just true heroes to the University, and I am forever grateful, and I know the Board of Trustees are too.

Chancellor St. John echoed Trustee Brooks’ comments:

It would be difficult to add to what Trustee Brooks has said about the Battles. They have served us in every way possible from Coach Battle’s time as an athlete and student here, as a representative of the University throughout his career, his very widely varied and successful career, his financial support along with Mary’s for numerous projects, his service as Athletic Director when he certainly did not need the job and which he did as a labor of love at a time when the University needed it. We asked him for one more donation of his time and he responded with everything he had. This is a small piece of what we have all benefited from as friends and supporters. I commend the Board for this recognition and certainly join in thanking the Battles.

Pro Tem Starnes added: “I would note that while a number of people are recognized as a result of the actions taken today, the Battle family, the Randall family, and the McMahon family is a triumvirate of support of this University, and this
System, which is very important to all that we do and all that we undertake. It would be impossible to adequately thank the three families for everything they have ever done and always done for this University. We are very, very grateful for all three families.”

Pro tem Starnes thanked Trustee Mauldin for her report and recognized Trustee Vanessa Leonard for a report from the Audit, Risk, and Compliance Committee.

Trustee Leonard reported that the Audit, Risk, and Compliance, met today and heard a presentation by PricewaterhouseCoopers of audit results and required communications for The University of Alabama System for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2020. The Committee also reviewed and recommended for approval a resolution, which was sent under separate cover, approving the Financial Statements of The University of Alabama System for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2020. Trustee Leonard moved for its approval by the Board, which was seconded by Trustee Brooks. Pro tem Starnes asked if there were questions or comments concerning the item. Hearing none, Pro tem Starnes then called for a vote, and the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Approving the Financial Statements of the University of Alabama System for the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama has reviewed the Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2020 for The University of Alabama System.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that the Financial Statements for The University of Alabama System for the year ended September 30, 2020, a copy of which shall be maintained in the Office of the Secretary, be, and hereby are, approved. There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned.
Pro tem Starnes thanked Trustee Leonard for her report and recognized Trustee Karen Brooks for a report from the Nominating Committee.

Trustee Brooks reported that the Nominating Committee met that day and considered four agenda items for action by the Board, which the Committee unanimously recommended for approval. Trustee Brooks moved for their approval by the Board, which was seconded by Trustee Vandervoort. Pro tem Starnes asked if there were questions or comments concerning any of the items. Hearing none, Pro tem Starnes then called for a vote, and the following resolutions were adopted, separately and collectively:

Appointing Directors to the Crimson Tide Foundation Board

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the University of Alabama is one of the campuses of The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama (the “Board of Trustees”); and

WHEREAS, the Crimson Tide Foundation (the “Foundation”) supports the UA Athletics Department and is an affiliated entity of UA; and

WHEREAS, Section 5 of Article II of the Bylaws of the Foundation authorizes the Board of Trustees to appoint members to the Foundation Board of Directors; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees that it appoints the individuals named on the list attached hereto as Exhibit C to be the directors on the Foundation Board of Directors; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all appointments made in this resolution are considered to be effective immediately.

Appointing Directors and Executive Committee Members for The UAB Athletics Foundation

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the University of Alabama at Birmingham (“UAB”) is one of the campuses of The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama (the “UA Board”);
WHEREAS, the UAB Athletics Foundation (the “Foundation”) supports the UAB Athletics Department and is an affiliated entity of UAB;

WHEREAS, the First Revised and Restated Bylaws of the Foundation provide that the UA Board appoints the Foundation directors and executive committee members;

WHEREAS, the UA Board wishes to appoint the individuals named on the list attached hereto as Exhibit D to be the directors on the Foundation board of directors, and the individuals named on the list attached hereto as Exhibit E to be the members of the Foundation executive committee;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the UA Board that it appoints the individuals named on the list attached hereto as Exhibit D to be the directors on the Foundation board of directors, and the individuals named on the list attached hereto as Exhibit E to be the members of the Foundation executive committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all appointments made in this resolution are considered to be effective immediately.

Appointing Directors to the UAB Health System Board

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Amended and Restated Joint Operating Agreement (“JOA”) between The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama (“UA Board”) and the University of Health Services Foundation, P.C. (“HSF”) governing UAB Health System (“UAB Medicine”), the nonprofit corporation of which both the UA Board and HSF are members, provides in Section 1.3(c)(4) as follows:

The UA Board shall appoint five persons who are not employees of either Member or any of the Operating Entities to serve as members of the Board of Directors of UAB Medicine. Each person appointed by the UA Board shall serve for a term of 3 years. There shall be no limit on the number of terms that any person may serve. The UA Board may at any time remove any person so appointed by notice to UAB Medicine and the Foundation. If any person serving as director of UAB Medicine pursuant to this paragraph is so removed, or becomes employed by a Member or any of the Operating Entities, or should cease to serve as director for any other reason, whether by death, resignation, incapacity or otherwise, the UA Board shall appoint an eligible person to serve the unexpired portion of the related term.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama that it hereby re-appoints Trustee John H. England, Jr. to the UAB Health System Board of Directors for an additional three-year term, expiring in February 2024, to serve at the pleasure of the UA Board until such time as his successor is duly elected and qualified.
Appointing Directors to the UAB Medicine Finance Authority

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, UAB Medicine Finance Authority, an affiliate of UAB Health System (the “Finance Authority”), is authorized by law to issue obligations from time to time in order to finance or refinance the acquisition, construction, renovation, improvement and equipping of health care facilities; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees of the University of Alabama (the “UA Board”) is the sponsoring university for the Finance Authority and has the authority to elect the board of directors of the Finance Authority; and

WHEREAS, Article Eight of the Finance Authority’s Articles of Incorporation states the Finance Authority shall have seven (7) directors, including three ex-officio directors, consisting of the Chair of the UA Board’s Finance Committee, the Chair of the UA Board’s Health System Liaison Committee, and the Vice Chancellor of Finance of the University of Alabama System (collectively, the “ex-officio directors”), and four elected by the UA Board (collectively, the “elected directors”); and

WHEREAS, Article Eight further states that the elected directors’ terms shall be staggered, shall be for three years, and each elected director shall be eligible for reelection upon expiration of his or her term; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the UA Board elects the following individual to serve on the Board of Directors of the Finance Authority as a voting director for the term noted, and until his successor has been duly elected and qualified:

Ray L. Watts, M.D. Term Expiring September 30, 2023;

RESOLVED FURTHER that the UA Board accepts and acknowledges the resignation of Isaac William Ferniany, PhD, as a member of the Finance Authority Board with a term expiring September 30, 2021, and hereby elects Reid Jones to fill the vacancy created by Dr. Ferniany’s resignation, to serve until September 30, 2021, or until his successor has been duly elected and qualified;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the UA Board hereby elects the following directors, who shall continue to serve along with the ex-officio directors identified in the recital above:

S. Dawn Bulgarella Term Expiring September 30, 2021
Selwyn M. Vickers, MD Term Expiring September 30, 2022
Pro tem Starnes thanked Trustee Brooks and said there are four Administrative Action Items before the Board. Prior to opening the floor for discussion, Pro tem Starnes called for a motion to consider the items. On the motion of Trustee Leonard, seconded by Trustee Morrissette, the Board opened discussion on the administrative action items.

- Consideration of Resolution Amending Article III, Section 4 of the Bylaws of the Board of Trustees

- Consideration of Resolution Recognizing the Retirement of Kellee Reinhart from The University of Alabama System Office

- Consideration of Resolution Amending the Name of the Wallace Physical Education Building

- Consideration of Resolution Amending the Name of the J. Marion Sims Endowed Chair in Obstetrics and Gynecology

Pro tem Starnes said the Administrative action items are traditionally acted upon as a unit, but commented specifically on two of the resolutions:

The first is the resolution recognizing the retirement of Kellee Reinhart from the University of Alabama System Office. Chancellor St. John has already outlined Kellee’s exemplary career at the University of Alabama System Office, and I echo his gratitude for Kellee’s 31 years of service. Kellee matriculated from the University of Alabama, earning a bachelor’s degree and a master’s degree in journalism. Her career since then has been exemplary in every affect, culminating recently in her being named in 2020 as a Woman of Impact. All that know her recognize what an absolute outstanding job she has done for each one of those 31 years. During my experience as a lawyer for the University, when I was in private practice, when somebody had a statement to issue, the first question that anybody would ask was, “has Kellee reviewed this?” Her expertise in fashioning public statements was done in a way that captured the truth in what we were doing was unmatched by anyone on the University campus. We will miss her greatly. It has only taken a few days to demonstrate that. We had to call her yesterday to arrange for a photographer to be at the Health Center later this afternoon. I told Mark Foley if I were him, I would make sure she got lunch
or a bottle of wine every week because he will be calling on her on a regular basis. I am delighted that she will continue to serve us in the official position as Senior Vice Chancellor Emerita for Communications and Community Relations.

Pro tem Starnes then asked for any additional comments from the Board on Kellee’s retirement. Trustee Brooks made the following comments:

I have known Kellee Reinhart since she first arrived in Tuscaloosa, and that was a really long time ago. I always, always, treasured her friendship. All who know Kellee and are so lucky enough to call her friend all treasure her friendship. She is one of the smartest people I know. She has great, amazing instincts. She has everyone’s trust as well as great respect from all who know her. I cannot begin to tell you the countless times I found myself in Kellee’s office over the last 16 plus years seeking her help and guidance on incredibly tough and stressful issues. The more I stressed on any issue, the more uplifting Kellee always became. Without fail, she would look at me and she would say, “It’s all good” and then she would start telling me about all the great things going on across our System. And sure enough, I would settle down and realize yes, she is right. It is all good. I will miss her greatly. I already miss her. As Trustee Starnes was saying, Kellee we wish you all the best that life has to offer you. You are the best. Thank you for your amazing service to our System. It was all good.

Trustee England echoed Trustee Brooks’ comments:

I would be remiss if I didn’t simply say and be a part of the chorus that there was very little that I would say publicly without first conferring with Kellee Reinhart. In fact, most of what I attribute to being well-spoken really came from what she told me to say. I will admit that she did that for 20 years. This thing about missing, it makes me think about an old rhythm and blues song by the O’Jays and Eddie Levert, and the line is “Even though you haven’t gone yet, I’m already missing you.” That is a true feeling. Thank you for letting me say those words to Kellee Reinhart.

Kellee Reinhart thanked everyone for their kind words and for the opportunity to serve The University of Alabama System for 31+ years:

Chancellor St. John and I sat down in early 2020 to review routine annual goals and initiatives. I told him of my ambition to
retire at some point in the year. Within weeks, COVID-19 crashed on our shores and changed life as we knew it. While many universities, public and private entities were frozen by indecision, that was not the case with our System. Guided by the Board of Trustees and led by our Chancellor’s razor-sharp decision-making, the UA System’s Health and Safety Task Force was established with the goal of making our campuses the safest in America. Thousands of administrators, biomedical researchers, faculty, staff and students throughout our System linked arms to achieve our ambitious goals. It was a privilege to be a part of that historic process.

As my retirement approaches, I am extremely pleased to be succeeded by Lynn Cole, a highly accomplished communications professional who brings important new skills and strategies to the position. I pledge my full support to ensure a smooth and successful transition. In closing, my vantage point over more than three decades has affirmed without question that The University of Alabama System is the nation’s premier higher education enterprise.

Pro tem Starnes thanked Kellee for her comments and said, “You and your family are deservedly excited about your retirement, and although we are not particularly excited about it, we are excited for you and we congratulate you. Old sayings get to be old sayings because they are true. There is an old saying that no one is indispensable. You are going to put that old saying to the test. We will miss you very much. Thank you.”

Pro tem Starnes said, “The second item is a resolution amending the name of the Wallace Physical Education Building. In June, a working group of Trustees was appointed to conduct a comprehensive review of the names of buildings, structures, and spaces on all UA System campuses. The working group makes recommendations to the Board, which then votes on any recommendations for altering a naming. Today, the Board will consider removing George Wallace’s name from the Physical Education Building at UAB. Trustee England has served as chairman of our Working Group. This group has put in an
unbelievable number of hours and continues to do so in carrying out its assigned task. We will always be grateful to Judge England for his leadership in this matter."

Pro tem Starnes recognized Trustee John England to present the resolution amending the name of the George Wallace Physical Education Building.

Trustee England made the following comments:

Thank you, Pro tem Starnes. The resolution presented to the Board for consideration today is to amend the name of the George Wallace Physical Education Building located on the campus of The University of Alabama at Birmingham. On behalf of our working group, we appreciate this opportunity to update the Board of Trustees on the careful research we have undertaken since June of last year. Our charge is to review named buildings on our campuses relative to Shared Values that include integrity, leadership, accountability, diversity, inclusion and respect. The process is ongoing.

Based on consultation with experts and through our own extensive investigation, the working group reviewed the historical record of George Wallace, the 45th Governor of the State of Alabama. Today we present for your consideration the renaming of the George C. Wallace Building on the campus of The University of Alabama at Birmingham. The physical education facility was named for Governor Wallace in 1975. We propose that the new name be the Physical Education Building.

It is important to note that we do not recommend changing names of buildings that honor Governor Lurleen Wallace, who was an ardent supporter of medical research and education. George Wallace built his political career largely on defending an unlawful system of segregation, appealing to and exacerbating racial animosity, and resisting lawful court orders, all to the detriment of the State of Alabama and The University of Alabama System.

The UA System, the Board of Trustees, our working group and our campuses recognize Governor Wallace’s complex legacy, including the well-known acceptance of his apology by the great Civil Rights icon John Lewis. Despite George Wallace’s efforts to redeem himself for many decades of divisive and disrespectful actions, the stain of his fiery efforts to advance racial injustice has cast a shadow that can neither be erased nor justified.
I have spoken personally with Peggy Wallace Kennedy, George and Lurleen’s daughter. She and her husband Judge Mark Kennedy are longtime friends and highly respected colleagues. Judge and Mrs. Kennedy have expressed their confidence in the Board’s decision to rename the UAB Physical Education Building. In her words: “It is important that the University always seek positive and meaningful change for the betterment of students, faculty and the community.”

These were her very thoughtful words and she made it clear that she was not speaking for the family, but certainly for herself and Justice Kennedy. Mr. Pro Tem, the Resolution on today’s agenda further amplifies our working group’s unanimous recommendation and we request the Board of Trustees’ thoughtful consideration. Pro tem Starnes, this concludes my report.

Pro tem Starnes thanked Trustee England for his report and said he should acknowledge, that in addition to Trustee England and himself, past Pro tem Gray appointed Trustees Leonard, Humphrey, Phelps, and Morrissette to the working group. They have all performed extraordinary work on behalf of our Board. Pro tem Starnes asked if there were questions or comments concerning the item.

Trustee Urquhart made the following comment on the resolution amending the name of the James Marion Sims Endowed Chair in Obstetrics and Gynecology at The University of Alabama at Birmingham:

As leaders, sometimes we are required to set steppingstones rather than stumbling blocks as we leave forth foundations. Sometimes, some things that we thought were steppingstones become stumbling blocks, and this might be the case. While he [Dr. Sims] was a pioneer in women’s reproductive health, some of his methodology was racially inequitable. It is incumbent upon us to remove that stumbling block, and I believe that is what we are doing today. I believe that those methodologies have led to mistrust of some people in the medical community and in public health. I commend this Board for removing that stumbling block.
Pro tem Starnes thanked Trustee Urquhart for her comments and then called for a vote on the administrative action items, and the following resolutions were unanimously approved:

Approving Resolution Amending Article III, Section 4 of the Bylaws of the Board of Trustees

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, under Article VIII of the Bylaws of the Board of Trustees of the University of Alabama, "[n]ew bylaws may be adopted and existing bylaws may be amended at any meeting of the Board";

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of the University of Alabama that it hereby amends Article III, Section IV of the Bylaws to read as follows:

Section 4. GENERAL COUNSEL

The General Counsel shall be appointed by the Board after consultation with the Chancellor and serve at the pleasure of the Board. The General Counsel will report administratively to the Chancellor. The relationship between the General Counsel and the Board of Trustees of the University shall be that of attorney-client and shall be governed at all times by the rules and standards of professional conduct. The General Counsel shall, as authorized by the Board, prosecute and defend claims, and engage outside counsel to represent the University’s interest. The General Counsel and its staff will be available at all times to advise the Board on any matter involving the University’s interests.

Approving Resolution Honoring Kellee Reinhart and Designating her Senior Vice Chancellor Emerita for Communications and Community Relations

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Kellee Reinhart joined the University of Alabama System Office in 1989 and has served since that time as the official spokesperson for the UA System as well as the chief liaison to communications officials at the University of Alabama, University of Alabama at Birmingham, and University of Alabama in Huntsville; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Reinhart also has advised the System campuses and Board of Trustees on strategic planning and communications for over three decades; and
WHEREAS, Mrs. Reinhart’s tenure with the University of Alabama System coincided with unprecedented changes in the communications industry, and she continually adapted to successfully promote the interests of the System; and

WHEREAS, prior to joining the University of Alabama System, Mrs. Reinhart worked in the publishing industry for fifteen years, including as the assistant manager for the Alabama Press Association and editorial director for two Alabama-based national publications, Antique Monthly and Horizon Magazine; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Reinhart holds both a bachelor’s degree and a master’s degree in journalism from the University of Alabama; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her service to the University of Alabama System, Mrs. Reinhart, a graduate of Leadership Alabama, has chaired numerous not-for-profit boards, including the Alabama Writer’s Forum, the Kentuck Association, Theatre Tuscaloosa, and the Tuscaloosa Arts Council, and served in leadership roles with countless others; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of her outstanding achievements, Yellowhammer News recently selected Mrs. Reinhart as its 2020 Woman of Impact; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Reinhart has served as a friend, confidante, and mentor to scores of students, staff, and community leaders, and her colleagues will dearly miss her steadying demeanor, keen judgment, warm personality and – most of all – great conversations with her;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of Trustees of the University of Alabama that it extends its sincere congratulations to Senior Vice Chancellor for Communications and Community Relations Kellee Reinhart on her thirty-one-year career in higher education and recognizes her outstanding service and lasting impact on the University of Alabama System, the Tuscaloosa community, and the State of Alabama;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees hereby designates Kellee Reinhart as Senior Vice Chancellor Emerita for Communications and Community Relations;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be spread among the permanent minutes of this Board and be shared with Kellee Reinhart, her husband Steve, and their beloved family.

Consideration of Resolution Amending the Name of the Wallace Physical Education Building

RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, diversity, inclusion, and respect are fundamental values of the University of Alabama System;

WHEREAS, under Board Rule 411, the Board of Trustees of the University of Alabama ("Board of Trustees") has the exclusive discretion to amend, remove, or withdraw any naming at any time and for any reason; and

WHEREAS, on June 8, 2020, the President Pro Tempore of the Board of Trustees appointed a working group of Trustees to conduct a comprehensive review of the names of buildings, structures, and spaces on all UA System campuses; and

WHEREAS, the working group’s review is governed by the institutional best interests of the University of Alabama System, recognizing that although no person is infallible and widespread views commonly change over time, the Board of Trustees must take great care to demonstrate and honor the current values of the University of Alabama System; and

WHEREAS, the working group’s initial inquiry is to determine whether an individual after whom a building, structure, or space is named made any substantial, lasting, and unique contributions to the University of Alabama System; and

WHEREAS, if the working group concludes that an individual made substantial, lasting, and unique contributions, the working group will then weigh those contributions against any actions the individual took, or views the individual had, that are inconsistent with the current values of the University of Alabama System, taking into consideration the prevalent moral, religious, and political norms of the individual’s time; and

WHEREAS, based upon consultation with several historical experts and its own investigation, the working group reviewed the historical record as it relates to George Wallace, the 45th Governor of the State of Alabama; and

WHEREAS, in 1972, Governor Wallace ran for President of the United States and, while campaigning in Laurel, Maryland, was shot five times in an assassination attempt; and

WHEREAS, the assassination attempt left Governor Wallace paralyzed from the waist down, and he underwent extensive physical therapy at the Spain Rehabilitation Center, a part of the UAB Health System; and

WHEREAS, since the then-new physical education building was "closely connected" to the Spain Rehabilitation Center, and in recognition of Governor Wallace's "substantial support, interest, and contributions to the University of Alabama in Birmingham," the Board of Trustees named the physical education building on the Birmingham campus the "George C. Wallace Building" at its meeting on July 14, 1975; and

WHEREAS, Governor Wallace originally ran for Governor of Alabama in 1958 and was endorsed by the NAACP while the Ku Klux Klan supported his Democratic primary opponent, John Patterson;
WHEREAS, after losing the Democratic nomination in 1958 to Mr. Patterson, Governor Wallace adopted segregationist policies and views that helped him secure the 1962 nomination and gubernatorial election, and he famously declared during his 1963 gubernatorial inauguration address, “In the name of the greatest people that ever trod this earth, I draw the line in the dust and toss the gauntlet before the feet of tyranny, and I say segregation now, segregation tomorrow, segregation forever”;

WHEREAS, Governor Wallace built his political career in substantial part on defending an unlawful system of segregation, appealing to and exacerbating racial animosity, and resisting lawful court orders, all to the detriment of the State of Alabama and the University of Alabama System; and

WHEREAS, despite the United State Supreme Court’s landmark ruling nine years earlier in Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka that segregated public schools were unconstitutional, Governor Wallace attempted to prevent two African-Americans from registering for classes at the Tuscaloosa campus by standing in front of the doorway of Foster Auditorium; and

WHEREAS, the working group recognized that Governor Wallace later apologized to the same African-Americans he had once denounced; in the words of the late Congressman John Lewis, Governor Wallace “deserve[d] recognition for seeking redemption for his mistakes, for his willingness to change and to set things right with those he harmed and with his God”; and, as observed by Reverend Jesse Jackson, Governor Wallace was a “transformed man” who deserved “forgiveness, redemption, and restoration”; and

WHEREAS, the working group likewise recognized, however, that Governor Wallace’s transformation does not erase the stain of his efforts to sow racial divisiveness and to promote conduct contrary to the law, nor does it erase the fact that for many of the students, faculty, and staff who comprise the University of Alabama System community, as well as individuals across the United States, Governor Wallace’s name remains an enduring symbol of racial injustice and rekindles memories of one of the State of Alabama’s darkest hours; and

WHEREAS, because such a symbol should not adorn a building or space on any of the University of Alabama System campuses, the working group unanimously recommended that the Board of Trustees remove Governor Wallace’s name from the physical education building at UAB;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees that the name of the George C. Wallace Building on the Birmingham campus is hereby amended to the Physical Education Building.

Consideration of Resolution Amending the Name of the J. Marion Sims Endowed Chair in Obstetrics and Gynecology

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in the early 1970s, the University of Alabama at Birmingham ("UAB") spearheaded a statewide campaign to raise $1 million for women's health initiatives, including raising funds to endow a chair in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the School of Medicine named in honor of Dr. James Marion Sims, who is often referred to as the "father of modern gynecology"; and

WHEREAS, on September 18, 1976, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution establishing the Sims Chair in Obstetrics and Gynecology; and

WHEREAS, on June 27, 1985, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution redesignating the Sims Chair in Obstetrics and Gynecology as the James Marion Sims Endowed Chair in Obstetrics and Gynecology; and

WHEREAS, after additional funds were raised, on February 15, 2001, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution converting the Sims Endowed Professorship in Obstetrics and Gynecology to the Sims Endowed Chair in Obstetrics and Gynecology; and

WHEREAS, under Board Rule 411, the Board of Trustees of the University of Alabama ("Board of Trustees") has the exclusive discretion to amend, remove, or withdraw any naming at any time and for any reason; and

WHEREAS, on June 8, 2020, the President Pro Tempore of the Board of Trustees appointed a working group of Trustees to conduct a comprehensive review of the names of buildings, structures, and spaces on all UA System campuses; and

WHEREAS, the School of Medicine requested that the Board of Trustees amend the name of the Sims Endowed Chair in Obstetrics and Gynecology and, at the direction of the President Pro Tempore, the working group conducted a review of the request;

WHEREAS, the working group's review is governed by the institutional best interests of the University of Alabama System, and the Board of Trustees must take great care to demonstrate and honor the current values of the University of Alabama System; and

WHEREAS, based upon its own investigation and consultation with the School of Medicine and several historical experts, the working group reviewed the historical record as it relates to Dr. Sims; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees that the name of the James Marion Sims Endowed Chair in Obstetrics and Gynecology is hereby amended to the Endowed Chair in Obstetrics and Gynecology.
Pro tem Starnes said the Administrative Report has been distributed to all Trustees.

Pro tem Starnes asked if there were questions or comments concerning the item. There were none, and the report was accepted. (Exhibit F)

Pro tem Starnes asked if there was any further business to come before the Board. There was none.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Mark D. Foley, Jr.
Secretary of The Board of Trustees
University of Alabama System
Board Rule 415 (2/2005)
Board Submittal Checklist Criteria

* Board Submittal Checklist No. 2

Capital Project – Stage II and Revised Stage III and Scope and Budget Submittals/
(Consultant Rankings, Revised Visual Appearance and Scope and Budget)/

Campus: The University of Alabama
Project Name: Peter Bryce Main Stabilization and Fitout
UA Project #: 415-14-172
Meeting Date: February 4 – 5, 2021

1. Completed Board Submittal Checklist No. 2
2. Transmittal Letter to Chancellor from Campus President requesting the project be placed on the agendas for the forthcoming Physical Properties Committee and Board of Trustees (or Executive Committee) meetings
3. Proposed Board Resolution requesting approval of Stage II Submittal
   (Commissioning Ranking, Project Scope and Project Budget; authority to proceed with Owner/Commissioning Firm contract negotiations)
4. Campus correspondence/photos providing supporting project information
5. Completed Executive Summary – Proposed Capital Project. /2
6. Executive Summary – Commissioning Firm Selection process (include Interview Outline). /3, /4, /5
7. Campus letter requesting approval of the ranking of firms and authority to submit to the Physical Properties Committee for approval – signed by the Chair of the Physical Properties Committee and signed by the UA System Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration. /6
8. Project Planning Report/2
9. Preliminary Business Plan (if applicable)/7
10. Campus map(s) showing Project site

Prepared by:

Approved by:

* Basic documents required for this Board Submittal Package include other supporting materials, correspondence, etc., as may be required to fully describe or illustrate project being submitted for approval to Physical Properties Committee and Board of Trustees.
December 18, 2020

Chancellor Finis E. St. John IV
The University of Alabama System
500 University Boulevard East
Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35401

Dear Chancellor St. John:

I am pleased to send to you for consideration by the Board of Trustees at its February 5, 2021 meeting the following resolution:

- Board Item – Action: Stage II – Consultant Rankings, and Revised Stage III and Scope and Budget: Peter Bryce Main Stabilization and Fitout, UA Project #: 415-14-172

Please contact us if you have questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Stuart R. Bell
President

Enclosure
December 19, 2020

To: Stuart R. Bell

From: Matthew M. Fajack

Subject: Board Item – Action: Stage II – Consultant Rankings, and Revised Stage III, Scope, and Budget: Peter Bryce Main Stabilization and Fit-out

UA Project #: 415-14-172

In 2010, as a condition of the purchase of the Bryce Hospital property, The University of Alabama ("University") committed to preserving and restoring the Central Pavilion of the Historic Bryce Main on the Peter Bryce Campus. In 2014, as a condition of Alabama Department of Transportation funding of approximately $15 million for the construction of Peter Bryce Boulevard and North Campus Way, the University agreed to retain two of the three wings on both the east and west side of the Central Pavilion.

Since that time, the University has carefully investigated and revealed the building structure and history and developed appropriate plans to protect and ensure the future of the building for University use and as a State landmark.

Guided by these plans, and with an efficient approach and use for the building, the University is proposing to execute the Peter Bryce Main Stabilization and Fit-out project ("Project") and to fully integrate the fit-out component, as necessary for complete and final occupancy and use, that was previously reserved for a later date.

Previously, and to advance the Project at this time, the University has determined it appropriate to further separate the construction packages. Further separation of the construction packages will greatly improve the Project schedule, accelerate the University’s use of the building, in particular the Welcome Center and Gallery space, and prevent further degradation of the facility until it is fully occupied. As such, the Project is currently comprised of nine (9) packages: the status and scope of which are detailed in the enclosed project summary.

Additionally, the University proposes to include interactive displays and graphics for the new University of Alabama Welcome Center that will exist within the existing Bryce Main facility. The Welcome Center will feature dynamic interactive displays along with specialty graphics and student engagement features aimed at student recruitment.

Accordingly, the University is requesting approval from The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama ("Board") for a Revised Scope to include full and final fit-out for completion of the Project and the scope of the Interactive Engagement Specialist and Commissioning consultants.

Accordingly, pursuant to Board Rule 415, a Consultant Selection Committees, appointed by the University, solicited qualifications from qualified Commissioning Firms for the Project and for Professional Services for the Interactive Engagement Specialist.

The Consultant Committee’s recommendations were forwarded to and approved by the Physical Properties Committee Chair and Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration for the Project. The University is requesting approval to begin negotiations for the Project with the top ranked Commissioning Firms as follows:
1. Environmental Systems Corporation, Huntsville, Alabama
3. Building Diagnostics and Property Science, LLC, Birmingham, Alabama

Due to the current workload of the number one scored firm (Environmental Systems Corporation, Huntsville, Alabama) on campus, the Consultant Selection Committee respectively recommends that the number two scored firm (Sain Engineering Associates, Inc., of Birmingham, Alabama), be selected to provide commissioning services for the Peter Bryce Main Stabilization and Fit-out project.

The Consultant Selection Committee’s recommendations for Interactive Engagement Specialist were also forwarded to and approved by the Physical Properties Committee Chair and Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration. The University is requesting approval to begin negotiations for the Project with the top ranked Professional Services for Interactive Engagement Specialist Programming firms as follows:

1. The Maude Group LLC, Chicago, Illinois
2. Kehler Slater, Chicago, Illinois

Furthermore, the University is requesting approval for a revised Stage III – Visual Appearance to reflect the proposed Bus drop off canopy, the additional connectivity between the Central Pavilion and the East and West wings at the third floor, raising the East and West wings roof line to provide open space with raised ceilings on the third floor and the entry wall features at the approach to the building.

Finally, the University is requesting approval for a Revised Budget from $40,000,000 to $83,750,000 to reflect the future construction costs of the additional Packages and aforementioned scope increase to include the fit-out, negotiated architect fees for the proposed packages, the consultants’ fees, and the associated changes to soft costs.

The Project will be funded from Capital Outlay: 2014 General Revenue Bonds in the amount of $27,646,584; 2017 General Revenue Bonds in the amount of $998,874; 2019 General Revenue Bonds in the amount of $30,495,322; Public Schools and College Authority (PSCA) funds in the amount of $21,838,122; and Central Reserves in the amount of $2,771,098.

The Project location and program have been reviewed and are consistent with the Campus Master Plan, University Design Standards and the principles contained therein. I have attached an Executive Summary Consultant Selection Process – Part I for the Commissioning Agent and the Interactive Engagement Specialist, Letters of Approval from the Physical Properties Committee Chair and Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration, Qualifications Outlines, Resolution, Executive Summary, Project Summary, Project Planning Report, Exhibit A – Scope and Budget Calculations Clarifications, Exhibit B- Architectural Fee Calculation Detail, and Location map with revised renderings for your review. Subject to your approval, I recommend this item be forwarded to the Chancellor for inclusion as an Action Item on the agenda of the Physical Properties Committee at the Board of Trustees meeting scheduled for February 4-5, 2021.

MMF/ccj

Attachments

pc w/atchmnts: Michael Rodgers
               Michael Lanier
               Tim Leopard
               Brad Cook
               Austin Fisher
               Matt Skinner
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY  
PROPOSED CAPITAL PROJECT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES SUBMITTAL  
Meeting Date: February 4 – 5, 2021

CAMPUS: The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Alabama
PROJECT NAME: Peter Bryce Main Stabilization and Fit-out
PROJECT LOCATION: Peter Bryce Campus
ARCHITECT: Birchfield Penuel and Associates, LLC, Birmingham, Alabama
CONSULTING FIRMS: Requesting in this submittal (Commissioning and Interactive Displays Integration)

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Architect/Engineer Fee – See Exhibit B $1,872,362 $4,039,439
Architect/Engineer Fee $1,297,290 $0
Expenses (Geotech, Construction Material Testing) $289,399 $582,960
Consultants (Commissioning & Interactive Engagement Specialist) $0 $583,875
Other Fees and Services (Surveys, Inspections, Advertisement, DCM review, Insurance) $574,844 $965,167

TOTAL PROJECT COST $40,000,000 $83,750,000

*Contingency is based on 10% of the total costs of Packages C, I, C2, C3 and G.
**UA Project Management Fee is based on 3% of the total costs of Packages A, B, C, I, C2, C3, E, F, G, Landscaping and Contingency.
***Architect/Engineer Fee is based on a Lump Sum amount (Package A).

Package has been bid and work is complete. No Contingency included on these Packages.
Work completed. Actual Contract Amount
Current Packages for Approval.

ESTIMATED ANNUAL OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE (O&M) COSTS:
(Utilities, Housekeeping, Maintenance, Insurance, Other)

117,352 x ~ $3.52 per GSF: $413,079

TOTAL ESTIMATED ANNUAL O&M COSTS: $413,079

FUNDING SOURCE:

Capital Outlay:

2014 General Revenue Bonds $27,646,584
2017 General Revenue Bonds $998,874
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Public School and College Authority $21,838,122
Central Reserves $2,771,098

O&M Costs: University Annual Operating Funds $413,079

NEW EQUIPMENT REQUIRED:

N/A

RELATIONSHIP & ENHANCEMENT OF CAMPUS PROGRAMS:

Planned programs for the Peter Bryce Main building include a University Welcome Center and Admissions, a Cultural Center to house and exhibit works such as the Jones Art Collection, a museum dedicated to the history of Bryce Hospital, and the Theatre and Dance department.

As such, the building and the programs housed there will provide a vibrant and impactful gateway to The University for prospective students and visitors. The Welcome Center will enhance the general feel and presence of The University of Alabama by providing an accessible and inviting atmosphere for visiting students and parents. Sited adjacent to Peter Bryce Preserve and located at the end of Bryce Lane, the tree lined approach will provide a beautiful and serene setting for the Welcome Center.

The Welcome Center will feature state of the art interactive displays and dynamic content to appropriately message to prospective students. Presenting the University experience and programs and opportunities available will be vital to engaging and recruiting potential students.

Preserving the two wings on both the east and west sides of central pavilion provides additional space that can be occupied by Theatre and Dance. The Theatre and Dance portion of this Project will allow Theatre and Dance to consolidate rehearsal studios, costume studio, departmental and faculty offices, graduate student space, classrooms, design studios and seminar
space into one facility. Further, the planned location in the Peter Bryce Main building will provide synergy for the proposed Performing Arts Center in the future. Over the past ten years, undergraduate student enrollment in the Department of Theatre and Dance has increased from 135 to 299 students or 121% without the addition of any facilities.
ATTACHMENT NO. 1
Project: Peter Bryce Main Stabilization and Fit-out
BOT Submittals: Stage II-Consultants' Rankings,
and Revised Stage III and Scope and Budget
Meeting Date: February 4 – 5, 2021

Project Summary

PETER BRYCE MAIN STABILIZATION AND FIT-OUT

The Peter Bryce Main Stabilization and Fit-out project ("Project"), located on the Peter Bryce campus, is a comprehensive restoration and renovation project to address the historic Bryce Main building for adaptation for The University of Alabama's ("University") purposes.

This Project involves abatement, demolition and stabilization, restoration of the exterior building envelope, replacement of the windows, new structure where required, replacement of the roof and exterior skin, all new mechanical, electrical, plumbing and life safety systems, new elevators, and the renovation and fit-out of approximately 117,352 gross square feet.

The building will be structurally stabilized for the fit-out of the Theatre and Dance program, Admissions, Museum and Gallery Space, support space for events and the proposed Performing Arts Academic Center, and the new Welcome Center.

Furthermore, per the purchase agreement for the Bryce Property, approximately 1,800 square feet of space must be provided for an Alabama Department of Mental Health (ADMH) Museum. Renovation and operation of this space will be the responsibility of ADMH.

The original building construction on both the wings and the central pavilion was comprised of masonry wythe walls, both interior and exterior, and three spans of wood joist. This assembly created a rigid floor plan that was not appropriate to accommodate all of the program elements. Accordingly, the building will be restructured to accommodate the program elements as follows:

- All walls will be removed on the east wing and a new clear span structural steel frame and exterior wall system will be provided. This will allow the space to be open and provide a flexible floor plan.
- The interior bearing walls will remain in place in the Central Pavilion and the 1\textsuperscript{st} and 2\textsuperscript{nd} floors of the west wing and the floor system will be restructured and leveled to comply with current codes.
- The interior bearing walls will be removed on the 3\textsuperscript{rd} floor of the west wing, new raised exterior walls and clear span roof trusses will be installed to provide open space with raised ceilings.
- The roof structure and domes of the Central Pavilion will remain in place.

This Project is currently divided into six (6) packages consisting of: (1) Package A – Interior Demolition and Abatement; (2) Package B – Exterior Demolition and Scaffolding; (3) Package C.1. – Stabilization; (4) Package C.2 – Fit-out Structure and Core MEP Systems; (5) Package D – Scaffolding; and (6) Package E – Masonry and three (3) proposed packages detailed as follows: (indicates work complete)
Package A – Interior Demolition and Abatement included removal of all existing MEP systems, select demolition of finishes and non-load bearing walls, and abatement of interior spaces as necessary to expose the structure for evaluation and documentation. This package was completed September 2015.

Package B – Exterior Demolition and Scaffolding included the removal of building stucco, select masonry repair, window removal, window lintel installation, and installation of the scaffolding on the east and west wings. The scaffolding was designed to stabilize and support the building during the removal of interior structural elements and to provide a work surface for tradesmen on the exterior of the building. The scaffolding will remain in place until the new structural systems are installed. This package was completed in December 2017.

Package C.1 – Stabilization, Fit-out-Infrastructure and Support Coordination, Parking and Bus Pickup will include stabilizing the east and west wings as well as the central pavilion, the replacement of the roof and roof structure, refurbishment of the front porches, window replacement, exterior skin replacement, masonry repair, demolishing the east wing interior walls and replacing with new structure to accommodate the Welcome Center. Fit-out-Infrastructure and Support Coordination will include infrastructure and coordination of both horizontal and vertical circulation plus building systems throughout the building; fit-out of entire first floor for the new Welcome Center and fit-out of the second-floor historical central pavilion. This includes the Alabama Department of Mental Health (ADMH) museum space which will be left in “white box” condition and funded separately by ADMH.

The balance of the second, third, and fourth floors to be left in “white box” condition for final fit-out and coordination with Performing Arts and Academic Center (PAAC). Parking and Bus Pickup will consist of the construction of visitor handicapped parking, bus parking, and pickup area for student recruiting and welcome center. This level of finish is being completed so that the final completion work will be limited to primarily finishes and fixtures. This will greatly minimize the disruption to the building occupants during the course of the work.

Package C.2 – Final Fit-out Package will entail the balance to finish of the proposed “white box” floors which consist of the second floor (Central Pavilion-North Addition), third floor (Historical Central Pavilion), fourth floor (Historical Central Pavilion), second Floor (East and West Wing), third floor (East and West Wings). This Package will be delivered in conjunction with PAAC. This will greatly minimize the disruption to the building occupants during the course of the work.

Package C.3 – Demolition of East Wing includes demolition of the east wing to make way for a new composite structure and selective salvage of historical brick and wood.

Package D – Scaffolding included building scaffolding on the east and west wings required to repair the mortar and masonry and for the Structural stabilization and Shell package construction as noted above. This package represented the University’s rental of the scaffolding during the course of the multiple packages.
Package E – Masonry Pointing and Patching consisted of an effort to keep the existing masonry from deteriorating further and to prepare the substrate for the future installation of the exterior coating system. University Facilities staff repointed the masonry using a mortar that is compatible with the existing 150-year-old brick and the future coating. This package was completed in June 2018.

Package F – Carpentry Package consists of miscellaneous carpentry and framing to repair structural integrity of the Bryce Main building in preparation for the upcoming C.1 package.

Package G – (in construction) Central Stair and Vertical Circulation will consist of installation of the new central stairwell in the Historical Central Pavilion along with the supporting elevator shaft. This will further ensure structural integrity of the building and improve constructability in preparation for the upcoming C.1 package.

Careful attention will be made in replicating existing details and elements of the existing architecture to preserve the architectural intent and character of the building. Brick for the building has also been salvaged for use on other campus buildings and the use of the heart pine timbers that have been salvaged are being evaluated for the use as flooring.
December 17, 2020

Dr. Dana S. Keith  
Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration  
Sid McDonald Hall  
500 University Boulevard, East  
Tuscaloosa, AL  35401

Trustee Karen Brooks  
Chair, Physical Properties Committee  
2555 14th Street, East  
Tuscaloosa, AL  35404

RE: Consultant Selection Process for Professional Services (Interactive Display Programming)—Part 1  
Peter Bryce Main Stabilization and Fitout – The University of Alabama Welcome Center  
Tuscaloosa, AL  
UA Project No: 415-14-172

Dear Dr. Keith and Trustee Brooks,

Pursuant to Board Rule 415, notifications for the Peter Bryce Main Stabilization and Fitout Professional Services Interactive Display Programming project ("Project"), including a brief description of the Project program, location, and preliminary budget were circulated, issued by email to qualified firms provided by end user references and others within the consultant database, and posted on The University of Alabama ("University") campus web page. Firms desiring to be considered were requested to provide brochures to the University outlining their qualifications, relevant experience, and proposed team members by November 23rd, 2020.

The scope of services proposed to be provided under this agreement will include design services for the interactive displays and graphics for the new University of Alabama Welcome Center within the existing Bryce Main facility. The Welcome Center will feature dynamic interactive displays along with specialty graphics and student engagement features aimed at student recruitment. Implementation of this type of space requires the expertise of specialty consultant firms well versed in higher education space design and development.

A Consultant Selection Committee, appointed by the University in accordance with the provisions of Board Rule 415, reviewed the submitted brochures and on November 25th, 2020 deemed the following firms qualified to interview:

- Bluewater Studio, Grand Rapids, Michigan
- Hollomon Group, Inc., Jackson, Mississippi
- Kahler Slater, Chicago, Illinois
- The Maude Group, LLC, Chicago, Illinois

WHERE LEGENDS ARE MADE
Upon review of their current workload, The Hollomon Group Inc. of Jackson, Mississippi withdrew themselves from consideration.

Additionally, upon review of the Project requirements, Bluewater Studio of Grand Rapids, Michigan withdrew themselves from consideration. Upon, Bluewater Studio’s withdrawal, they recommended Kahler Slater as a qualified firm for consideration.

The Consultant Selection Committee conducted oral interviews on December 15th, 2020 and determined the following ranking for the firms deemed most qualified for the Project:

1. The Maude Group, LLC., Chicago, Illinois
2. Kahler Slater, Chicago, Illinois

The primary selection criteria used in the ranking of the firms included the following:

1. The firms represented a clear understanding of the Project program and goals, as well as how to achieve them, specifically, expertise with Interactive space design and development.
2. The firms are familiar with the higher education standards and the regulatory requirements for the design of the Project.
3. The firms presented the most favorable listing of qualified principals, staff and associated team members for the Project along with a commitment to meet the University’s schedule for completion of the design and construction of the Project.

Approval is hereby required for:

1. The ranking of consultant firms listed hereinbefore.
2. Approval to submit these ranking for the Physical Properties Committee for review and approval.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Matthew M. Talsma
Vice President for Finance and Operations
and Treasurer

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Peter Bryce Main Stabilization and Fitout  
The University of Alabama Welcome Center  
December 17, 2020  
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Signed by:  

Dana S. Keith  
Dr. Dana S. Keith, Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration

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Karen P. Brooks  
Trustee Karen Brooks, Chair for Physical Properties Committee
## Part 1

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**CONSULTANT SELECTION PROCESS**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES SUBMITTAL**

**Meeting Date:** February 4 – 5, 2021

**Campus:** The University of Alabama

**Project Name:** Peter Bryce Main Stabilization and Fitout

**Project Location:** Peter Bryce Campus

**Prepared By:** Austin Fisher/Cara Coleman Jones  
**Date:** December 17, 2020

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Appointed Consultant Selection Committee (CSC): (Name and Title)
1. Dr. Matt McLendon, Associate Vice President for Enrollment
2. Rick Funk, Director of Undergraduate Admissions
3. Stephen Frost, Senior Associate Director of Enrollment
4. Andre Tucker, Assistant Director
5. Jason Bigelow, UA Staff Architect
6. Vince Dooley, UA Architectural Design Coordinator
7. Austin Fisher, UA Project Manager

Qualified Firms/Companies Submitted:
1. Bluewater Studio, Grand Rapids, Michigan
3. Hollomon Group, LLC., Jackson, Mississippi
4. Kahler Slater, Chicago, Illinois
5. The Maude Group, LLC., Chicago, Illinois

Ranking of Most Qualified Firms to be submitted to the Physical Properties Committee
1. The Maude Group, LLC., Chicago, Illinois
2. Kahler Slater, Chicago, Illinois

Reviewed and approved by:

Chairman of Consultant Selection Committee

Vice President for Finance and Operations and Treasurer
November 24, 2020

RE: RFQ – The University of Alabama Welcome Center (Gallery/Museum)
UA Project No. 415-14-174

Dear Firms,

On behalf of The University of Alabama and the Selection Committee, I would like to congratulate you on advancing to the oral interview phase. This letter contains specific instructions for the oral interviews. In addition, and if necessary, each firm will receive information via email to assist in the preparation of your presentation. Each presentation shall be forty minutes (40) minutes maximum culminating with five (5) minutes of Q&A.

Oral Interviews will be held as follows:

- Bluewater Studio
  Tuesday, December 15, 2020, 8:30am – 9:15am
  Location: Zoom Video Conferencing

- Design Island Assoc. Inc
  Tuesday, December 15, 2020, 9:30am – 10:15am
  Location: Zoom Video Conferencing

- Hollomon Group, Inc.
  Tuesday, December 15, 2020, 10:30am – 11:15am
  Location: Zoom Video Conferencing

- The Maude Group, LLC
  Tuesday, December 15, 2020, 12:30pm – 1:15pm
  Location: Zoom Video Conferencing

The Selection Committee will score each firm according to specific criteria that will be forwarded soon. However, other criteria may be added as applicable. We thank you again for your efforts and look forward to your oral presentation. If you have any questions or concerns, please give me a call.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Vincent D. Dooley
UA Construction Administration

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The University of Alabama Welcome Center (Gallery/Museum)  
UA Project No. 415-14-174  
Date: December 15, 2020

1. **Welcome/Introduction (time allotted = 5 minutes)**
   a. Design Team  
      i. Brief introduction of your firm and any subconsultants (if applicable).

2. **Design, Creative and Interactive Space Expertise - 15 points max (time allotted = 10 minutes)**
   a. Describe your team’s expertise with Interactive space design and development.  
      Show examples of completed projects representative of your expertise.  
      i. Discuss any developing trends and innovations that may enhance this project.  
      ii. Share any lessons learned and trends or technologies that may not be desired or recommended for what we are trying to achieve.  
      iii. Share flexibility, interchangeable or “plug and play”.

3. **Design Opportunities/Feedback - 10 points max (time allotted = 25 minutes)**
   a. Please review the project description/narrative and provide design feedback and ideas that you feel could enhance this project.

4. **Roles & Execution – 5 points max (time allotted = 5 minutes)**
   a. Design and construction roles  
      i. Describe how your firm’s methodology and experience working collaboratively with architects, engineers, and designers.  
      ii. Explain your firm’s day to day roles and responsibilities for the project as it moves from programming to the design and construction phase.  
      iii. For the leadership roles, explain the hierarchy of roles and who is ultimately accountable for project success.  
   b. We anticipate an April 2021 design completion by the Architect of Record (AOR). Explain your design approach, strategies, and coordination with stakeholders to ensure project success.  
   c. What is your standard fee structure and how would you propose the fee structure for this means of delivery?
5. **Questions & Answers** (*time allotted = 10 minutes*)

**Project Purpose and Narrative**

The purpose of this project is to create an engaging and interactive space within the new University Welcome Center, located in the historic Bryce main building, on the campus of The University of Alabama. The space should serve as the first impression for prospective students and their families and complement the campus tour experience by aiding in telling UA’s story, showcasing opportunities available to students on and off campus and demonstrating the outcomes and results of a UA education. Our goal is for students envision themselves as a student at UA. While the space will primarily host prospective students and families, it will also be the “front door” to other potential visitors as the University’s primary Welcome Center. The result of the project should allow us to leverage and utilize the latest technology to enhance the visit experience on an ongoing basis.

**Project Information**

- Gallery/Museum space roughly 4,000 SF (See attached pdf - 1st Floor East Wing “Gallery/ Museum).
- Total building design completion (Architect of Record) anticipated April 2021.
- Total budget for this project is 1.2 million dollars.

**Expectation and Objectives**

- Prospective Firm will contract directly with UA to program and provide an estimated budget for the designated space.
- Production of schematic designs may be requested from prospective firm.
- Construction design documents will be ultimately be incorporated into Architect of Record (AOR) design bid documents.
- First-class museum space.
- Modern space incorporating technology / infrastructure to allow space to rotate exhibits such that exhibits are “Plug and Play” as much as possible.
- Storytelling - focus on historic and aspirational legacy narratives.
August 10, 2020

MEMORANDUM

TO: Trustee Jim Wilson, Chairman, Physical Properties Committee

FROM: Michael Rodgers

SUBJECT: Board Rule 415 Consultant Selection Committee Ranking – HVAC Commissioning Bryce Main Stabilization and Fit-out @ UA

Trustee Wilson:

Board Rule 415 provides a detailed process for the selection and approval of Architects, Engineers, and construction professionals. Campus officials are required to appoint a Selection Committee which, after careful review of all qualified firms, is to submit a ranking of the most qualified professionals to the Physical Properties Committee for approval and authorization to negotiate a Consulting Agreement.

In this case, the Consultant Selection Committee is recommending the second ranked firm, Sain Engineering Associates of Birmingham (Sain), over the top ranked firm, Environmental Systems Corporation of Huntsville (ESC), due to the current workload of ESC. According to the Director of Facilities Engineering at UA, Sain has an “energetic and teachable” commissioning team that “interviewed well”.

As a note, ESC will be retained to provide building envelope inspections. The agreement for this service will be under $100,000 and, therefore, will not require Board consideration.

Dr. Keith has reviewed this request and recommends approval.

Sincerely,

Michael Rodgers
Assistant Vice Chancellor for Construction Management
August 6, 2020

Dr. Dana S. Keith  
Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration  
Sid McDonald Hall  
500 University Boulevard, East  
Tuscaloosa, AL 35401

Mr. James W. Wilson, III  
Chair, Physical Properties Committee  
Chairman and CEO  
Jim Wilson & Associates, LLC  
2660 Eastchase Lane, Suite 100  
Montgomery, AL 36117

RE: Consultant Process for Commissioning – Part 1  
Peter Bryce Main Stabilization and Fitout  
Tuscaloosa, AL  
UA Project No: 415-14-172

Dear Dr. Keith and Trustee Wilson,

Pursuant to Board Rule 415, notifications for the Peter Bryce Main Stabilization and Fitout project ("Project") for commissioning services, including a brief description of the Project program, location, and preliminary budget were advertised, issued by email to Alabama-based firms and others in the consultant database and posted on The University of Alabama ("University") campus web page. Firms desiring to be considered were requested to provide brochures to the University outlining their qualifications, relevant experience, and proposed team members by June 18, 2020.

A Consultant Selection Committee, appointed by the University in accordance with the provisions of Board Rule 415, reviewed the submitted brochures and on July 20, 2020 interviewed the following commissioning firms:

- Building Diagnostics and Property Science, LLC, Birmingham, Alabama
- Environmental Systems Corporation, Huntsville, Alabama
- Sain Engineering Associates, Inc., Birmingham, Alabama

WHERE LEGENDS ARE MADE
The Consultant Selection Committee then determined the following ranking for the firms deemed most qualified for the Project:

2. Environmental Systems Corporation, Huntsville, Alabama
3. Building Diagnostics and property Science, LLC, Birmingham, Alabama

Due to the current workload of the number one scored firm (Environmental Systems Corporation of Huntsville, AL) on campus the Consultant Selection Committee respectively recommends that the number two scored firm (Sain Engineering Associates, Inc. of Birmingham, AL) be selected to provide commissioning services for the Peter Bryce Main Stabilization and Fitout project.

The primary selection criteria used in the ranking of the firms included the following:

1. The firms represented a clear understanding of the Project program and goals, as well as how to achieve them, specifically, expertise with renovating existing and support spaces.
2. The firms are familiar with the University facilities standards and the regulatory requirements for the design of the Project.
3. The firms presented the most favorable listing of qualified principals, staff and associated commissioning agents for the Project along with a commitment to meet the University’s schedule for completion of the design and construction of the Project.
4. The firms are committed to using Alabama-based consultant commissioning agents for the Project.

Approval is hereby required for:

1. The ranking of consultant firms listed hereinbefore.
2. Approval to submit these ranking for the Physical Properties Committee for review and approval.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Matthew M. Fajack
Vice President for Finance and Operations
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Dr. Dana S. Keith, Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration

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James W. Wilson, III

Trustee James W. Wilson, III, Chair for Physical Properties Committee
**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

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**BOARD OF TRUSTEES SUBMITTAL**

**Meeting Date:** September 17 – 18, 2020

**Campus:** The University of Alabama

**Project Name:** Peter Bryce Main Stabilization and Fitout

**Project Location:** Peter Bryce Campus

**Prepared By:** Austin Fisher/Carla Coleman Jones  

**Date:** August 6, 2020

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Appointed Consultant Selection Committee (CSC): (Name and Title)
1. Jason Bigelow, University Architect
2. Sam Chen, Director of Facilities Engineering
3. Dwight Stewart, University Mechanical Engineer
4. Brad Cook, Senior Project Manager
5. Austin Fisher, Project Manager

Qualified Firms/Companies Submitted:
1. Building Diagnostics and Property Science, LLC., Birmingham, Alabama
2. Environmental Systems Corporation, Huntsville, Alabama

Ranking of Most Qualified Firms to be submitted to the Physical Properties Committee
   Due to the current workload of the highest scored firm (Environmental Systems Corporation of
   Huntsville, AL) on campus the Consultant Selection Committee respectfully recommends that the
   number two scored firm (Sain Engineering Associates, Inc. of Birmingham, AL) be selected to
   provide commissioning services for the Peter Bryce Main Stabilization and Fitout project.
2. Environmental Systems Corporation, Huntsville, Alabama
3. Building Diagnostics and Property Science, LLC., Birmingham, Alabama

Reviewed and approved by:

Chairman of Consultant Selection Committee

Vice President for Finance and Operations and Treasurer
ONE: RESPONDENT'S STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS (Maximum 6 Points)

A. Describe your firm's experience working with other universities and state agencies.

B. Describe your firm's experience working with The University of Alabama.

TWO: RESPONDENT'S PERFORMANCE ON PAST REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS (Maximum 12 points)

A. Identify and describe the proposed commissioning team members' experience for providing commissioning services that are identical or most related to this project within the last five (5) years. List the projects in order of priority, with the most relevant project listed first.

B. Provide references (for each project listed above, identify the following):

- The Owner's name and their representative who served as the day-to-day liaison during the project including current contact information.

The Owner may contact these references during this qualification process.

C. Has your firm/organization within the past seven (7) years ever been terminated from a commissioning project? If yes, please give pertinent details.

THREE: RESPONDENT'S DIAGNOSTIC ABILITY (Maximum 6 points)

A. Describe your methodology for establishing the cause/effect relationships between observed functional discrepancies, system design, and installation. Provide examples of some of the more difficult technical issues that you have resolved.

FOUR: RESPONDENT'S ABILITY TO MEET PROJECT SCHEDULES (Maximum 8 points)

A. Describe how you have developed, maintained, and updated the commissioning schedule during design on projects with an extremely tight schedule.
B. Give example of any projects that required a Phased Commissioning Schedule.

FIVE: LITIGATION AND CLAIMS (Maximum 6 points)

A. Does your firm/organization or any of its officers currently have any judgments, claims, and arbitration or mediation proceedings pending or outstanding? If yes, please give pertinent details and outcome(s).

B. Has your firm/organization within the past seven (7) years filed any lawsuits or requested arbitration or mediation proceedings concerning any of your construction projects? If yes, please give pertinent details and outcome(s).

SIX: RESPONDENT'S ABILITY TO MEET INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS (Maximum 4 points)

A. Does your firm/organization have the ability to meet all of the UA insurance requirements? (see attached)

B. What is your process for managing any claims by the contractor and/or equipment vendors for damage to equipment or delays during the project?

SEVEN: PROJECT SPECIFIC CRITERIA (Maximum 12 points)

A. Show experience in commissioning of university/college educational facilities.

B. Show experience in commissioning of theater spaces.

C. Show experience in commissioning of gallery/museum spaces.

D. Describe your experience and approach in working with various design teams on fast track design and construction projects.
Oral Interview Criteria/Focus
Peter Bryce Main Building Stabilization and Fit-out
Commissioning Agent
UA Project No. 415-14-172
Date: July 7, 2020

1. **Welcome/Introduction (time allotted = 5 minutes)**
   a. Commissioning Team
      i. Brief Introduction of your firm and the person or team who is ultimately responsible for project success.

2. **Commissioning Opportunities/Feedback (time allotted = 20 minutes)**
   a. Describe your team’s commissioning experience with university/college facilities. Discuss any challenges associated with these types of facilities and lesson learned.
   b. Describe your team’s commissioning experience with theater spaces. Discuss any challenges associated with these types of facilities and lesson learned.
   c. Describe your team’s commissioning experience with gallery/museum spaces. Discuss any challenges associated with these types of facilities and lesson learned.
   d. Describe your team’s commissioning experience with building envelope commissioning. Discuss any challenges associated with building envelopes specifically those which include renovation of existing historic type buildings where exterior envelope is to be reused/renovated and lesson learned.
   e. Present sample of typical project deliverables.

3. **Project Design Schedule (time allotted = 10 minutes)**
   a. Assuming a project bid date of December 2020, discuss your team’s approach toward project schedule and your availability.
   b. Discuss your firm’s methodology for guiding the commissioning process throughout a phased project.
THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA SYSTEM  
PROJECT PLANNING REPORT  
DATE: FEBRUARY 4 - 5, 2021

TO: OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA

FROM: OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA

1. PROJECT: Peter Bryce Main Stabilization and Fitout
2. LOCATION: Peter Bryce Campus
3. ARCHITECT/ENGINEER: Birnfeld Penensal and Associates, LLC, Birmingham, AL
4. COMMISSIONING FIRM: Requesting in this submittal
5. PROJECT STATUS:

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*Contingency is based on 10% of the total costs of Packages C-1, C-2, C-3, and G.
**UA Project Management Fee is based on 3% of the total costs of Packages A, B, C-1, C-2, C-3, E, F, G, Landscaping and Contingency.
***Architect/Engineer Fee is based on a Lump Sum amount (Package A).

Package has been bid and work is complete. No Contingency included on these Packages.
Work completed. Actual Contract Amount
Current Packages for Approval

6. FUNDING/RESOURCES: Capital Outlay:

2014 General Revenue Bonds - $27,646,584
2017 General Revenue Bonds - $598,874
2019 Revenue Bonds - $30,495,322
PSCA Funds - $21,838,122
Central Reserves - $7,721,928

7. REMARKS

*FINAL AGENCY APPROVAL

SUBMITTED BY: [Signature]
### EXHIBIT A

**Bryce Main Stabilization and Fitout**

**Scope and Budget Calculation Clarifications**

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<td>$283,875 Commissioning Consultant &amp; $300,000 for Interactive Engagement Specialists</td>
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| Design Fees    | $29,085,701.96 | $2,253,904.23 |
| Final Negotiated Design Fee | $2,195,004.19 |
| Negotiated Savings | $58,900.04 |

### Stabilization and Fitout

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| Design Fees    | $1,973,357.93 |
| Final Negotiated Design Fee | $1,844,435.11 |
| Negotiated Savings | $128,922.82 |

### Comprehensive Total Design Costs

| Total Design and Redesign Fees | $4,227,262.17 |
| Total Negotiated Design Fee | $4,039,439.30 |
| Total Negotiated Savings | $187,822.87 |
PETER BRYCE MAIN STABILIZATION AND FITOUT
South Elevation From Bryce Lawn Drive
Rendering Previously Approved September 19, 2014
PETER BRYCE MAIN STABILIZATION AND FITOUT
Southeast Aerial Elevation
Rendering Previously Approved September 19, 2014
PETER BRYCE MAIN STABILIZATION AND FITOUT - UPDATED
Main Entrance
from Bryce Lawn Drive looking North across Kilgore Lane
PETER BRYCE MAIN STABILIZATION AND FITOUT
Bus Porte-Cochere East Side Vantage Point
PETER BRYCE MAIN STABILIZATION AND FITOUT
Welcome Walls
PETER BRYCE MAIN STABILIZATION AND FITOUT
Bus Drop-Off
PETER BRYCE MAIN STABILIZATION AND FITOUT
Connectors at 3rd floor - Raised Roof at Wings
University of Alabama System  
Board Rule 415 (2/2005)  
Board Submittal Checklist Criteria  

*Board Submittal Checklist No. 10  
Disposition of University Owned Properties  

Property: De Minimis Property Dispositions – Various Lots  
Date: February 4 – 5, 2021  

[X] 2. Transmittal Letter to Chancellor from Campus President requesting this proposed disposition be placed on the forthcoming agendas for the Physical Properties Committee and Board of Trustees (or Executive Committee) meetings.  
[X] 3. Proposed Board Resolution requesting approval to dispose of Campus Property.  
[X] 5. Locator Map.  
[X] 8. Checklist for Sale  
[X] 9. Statement by Designated Campus Real Estate Agent justifying the disposal of the Property and the methods associated therewith.  

Prepared by:  

Approved by: Tim Leopold  

/1 Reference Tab 3R – Board Rule 415 Instructional Guide  
* Basic documents required for this Board Submittal Package. Include other supporting materials, correspondence, etc., as may be required to fully describe or illustrate project being submitted for approval to Physical Properties Committee and Board of Trustees.
December 16, 2020

Chancellor Finis E. St. John IV
The University of Alabama System
500 University Boulevard East
Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35401

Dear Chancellor St. John:

I am pleased to send you for consideration by the Board of Trustees at its February 5, 2021 meeting the following resolution:

- Board Action Item – De Minimis Property Dispositions

Please contact us if you have questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Stuart R. Bell
President

Enclosure
December 15, 2020

To: Stuart R. Bell

From: Matthew M. Fajack

Subject: Board Action Item – De Minimis Property Dispositions

As part of The University of Alabama's (“University”) initiative to evaluate the real estate inventory in order to maximize return on the endowed lands, several properties have been identified to be appropriate for disposition. This includes properties originating from Dr. Robert A. and Jamie M. Thacker's October 1995 gift of thirteen (13) lots in a developed neighborhood, Edenwood Subdivision ("Edenwood"), located in Hueytown, Alabama ("Lots") to the University to support the Jamie Mosely Thacker Endowed Scholarship Fund.

Edenwood is a mature neighborhood composed of lower to mid-priced typical ranch style houses constructed in the late 1980s. Many of the remaining Lots are unbuildable or have significant challenges which depresses the lot value. Modern development in the area has deterred new home construction in this neighborhood leaving primary marketability to adjacent landowners. Because of these factors, it is recommended to accept the offers so as to fund the scholarship initiative the donor intended.

The Lots were previously marketed for sale, individually, over a 10-year period by Realtors and University Lands resulting in the sale of six (6) of the lots. There has been no attempt to list the remaining Lots since 2005; however, a strong housing economy and lower interest rates encouraged University Lands to re-advertise and test the current market. The last action for these Lots was an Executive Committee of the Board approving the sale of Lot 24, Block 23 to the adjoining landowner in August 2004 for $1,000. That sale closed in September 2004. In October 2019, the remaining seven (7) Lots, as enumerated in Exhibit A, were listed with Keller Williams Realty, Hoover, Alabama, at a Broker's opinion price of between $1,000 and $5,000 per lot and offers have been received on all remaining lots.

The Riverside Drive Subdivision Remnant Parcel is no longer contiguous to the University with the transfer of the adjacent parcel to the City of Tuscaloosa for the water tower project. The size of the lot precludes any benefit to the University and is only of benefit to the adjacent property owner.

The University is requesting approval from The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama to consider each on its own merit and collectively dispose of these de minimis properties as enumerated in Exhibit A.
I have attached a Resolution, Executive Summary, Location map, Exhibit A-Schedule of Properties, Statement of Justification, Designated Agent's Declaration and Checklist of Sale or Lease of Campus Real Property for your review. Subject to your approval, I recommend this item be forwarded to the Chancellor for inclusion as an Action item on the agenda of the Board of Trustees meeting scheduled for February 4 - 5, 2021.

MMF/swp

Attachments

pc w/attachments: Tim Leopard
Rob Cooper
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
PROPOSED REAL ESTATE DISPOSITION
BOARD OF TRUSTEES SUBMITTAL
MEETING DATE: FEBRUARY 4 – 5, 2021

CAMPUS: The University of Alabama

PROJECT NAME: De Minimis Property Dispositions

ORIGINAL ACQUISITION DATA:
[ X ] Gift*
[ ] Purchase
[ X ] Other (U. S. Federal Endowment)

*Date: October 1995 Value: $11,900

PROJECT LOCATIONS: Edenwood Subdivision Lots, Hueytown, Alabama
Riverside Subdivision, Tuscaloosa, Alabama

LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS: See Exhibit A

ACREAGE: See Exhibit A

IMPROVEMENTS: None

SALE PRICES: See Exhibit A

LISTING AGREEMENT: Stephanie Lee, Keller Williams Realty, Hoover, Alabama
See Exhibit A

PURCHASERS: See Exhibit A

JUSTIFICATION FOR DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY:
Many of the Edenwood Subdivision lots are sub-standard resulting in the best sales prospects for these lots to be adjacent landowners or other interested prospects.

The University has held these since 1995 and attempted to dispose of them previously with minimal interest. The proceeds will be distributed to support the Jamie Mosely Thacker Endowed Scholarship Fund.

The Riverside Drive Subdivision Remnant Parcel is no longer contiguous to University of Alabama with the transfer of the adjacent parcel to the City of Tuscaloosa for the water tower project. The size of the lot also precludes any potential use or benefit to the University and is only of benefit to the adjacent property owner.
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
PROPOSED REAL ESTATE DISPOSITION
BOARD OF TRUSTEES SUBMITTAL
MEETING DATE: FEBRUARY 4 – 5, 2021

DISPOSAL METHOD:
[ ] Sealed Bid
[ ] Auction
[X] Licensed Agent

Stephanie Lee, Keller Williams Realty, Hoover, Alabama

OTHER ATTACHMENTS
[X] Declaration of Designated Campus Agent or Method Selected to Dispose of Property.

[X] Proposed Board Resolution to Authorize Campus to Proceed With Disposal of Real Property.
DE MINIMIS DISPOSITION OF LOTS IN EDENWOOD SUBDIVISION

LOCATION MAP
DE MINIMIS DISPOSITION OF LOTS IN EDENWOOD SUBDIVISION

AERIAL VIEW
RIVERSIDE DRIVE SUBDIVISION REMNANT PARCEL

LOCATION MAP
RIVERSIDE DRIVE SUBDIVISION REMNANT PARCEL

SITE VIEW

Legend
- UNIVERSITY PROPERTY
- PROPOSED
1) Lots 4 and 5, Block 20 Edenwood Seventh & Eighth Sectors 21/32, Jefferson County, Alabama, containing .78 acres, more or less.
   Purchaser: Lauren Epperson
   Sales Price: $5,000 ($2,500 each lot)

2) Lot 12, Block 20 Edenwood Seventh & Eighth Sectors 21/32, Jefferson County, Alabama, containing .54 acres, more or less.
   Purchaser: Jennifer Campbell
   Sales Price: $1,000.00

3) Lot 2, Block 25 Edenwood Seventh & Eighth Sectors 21/32, Jefferson County, Alabama, containing .43 acres, more or less.
   Purchaser: Lance B. Ayers and wife, Lisa M. Ayers
   Sales Price: $1,000

4) Lot 23, Block 3 Edenwood, 5th Sector, Jefferson County, Alabama, containing .55 acres, more or less.
   Purchaser: Kenneth Tye
   Sales Price: $4,500

5) Lot 1, Block 24 Edenwood Seventh & Eighth Sectors, Jefferson County, Alabama, containing .54 acres, more or less.
   Purchaser: Adam Walden and wife, Mary Walden
   Sales Price: $2,500
6) Lot 25, Block 23 Edenwood Seventh & Eighth Sectors 21/32, Jefferson County, Alabama, containing .42 acres, more or less.

Purchaser: Isai Gomez
Sales Price: $3,000

7) Riverside Drive Subdivision Remnant Parcel
SOURCE OF TITLE REFERENCE R-400
A PROPERTY LINE SURVEY being located in the Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter of section 14, Township 21 South, Range 10 West, Tuscaloosa County Alabama and being more particularly described as follows:
To locate the POINT OF BEGINNING, Commence at the Southwest corner of Southwest quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 14, Township 21 South, Range 10 West, Tuscaloosa County Alabama (a concrete monument found), Thence run North 00 degrees 06 minutes East along the west boundary of the Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 14, Township 21 South, Range 10 West for a distance of 157.50 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING of the parcel herein described, said point being an iron pipe set on the North right of way of RIVERSIDE DRIVE and the south boundary of LOT 1 of the RIVERSIDE SUBDIVISION NO. 1 as recorded in Plat Book 4, Page 88 in the office of the probate judge Tuscaloosa County Alabama, Thence continue North 00 degrees, 06 minutes East for a distance of 168.55 feet to a point, said point being on the north boundary of said LOT 1 of the RIVERSIDE SUBDIVISION NO. 1, Thence run North 82 degrees 26 minutes East for a distance of 9.71 feet to a point, said point being an iron pipe found, Thence run South 01 degrees 43 minutes West for a distance of 170.24 feet to a point, said point being a nail found, said nail being on the north right of way of RIVERSIDE DRIVE, Thence run North 85 degrees 50 minutes West along said north right of way for a distance of 4.83 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. Said PARCEL containing 0.03 acres more or less.

Purchaser: Rumsey Properties, LLC
Sales Price: $15,000
Checklist for Sale or Lease of Campus Real Property

De Minimis Property Dispositions

1. [ X ] Property Sale
   [ ] Property lease
   [ ] Timber sale
   [ ] Mineral lease

2. [ ] Appraised Value

3. [ X ] Broker’s Opinion
   Stephanie Lee, Keller Williams Realty, Hoover, Alabama

4. [ X ] a. Sale/lease handled through a licensed real estate broker and published by broker
   in accordance with customary practices.
   Keller Williams Realty, Hoover, Alabama

   [ ] b. Sale/lease handled by negotiation after a publicly announced request for
   proposals was made.

   [ ] c. Sale/lease handled by sealed bid or auction.

      1) Property Located In-State
         [ ] Advertised once a week for four (4) weeks in newspaper of general
         circulation in county of property: (name of newspaper)
         (and)
         [ ] Advertised once in three (3) other newspapers of general circulation
         throughout the state: (List names of newspapers)

      2) Property Located Out-of-State
         [ ] Advertised once in three newspapers of general circulation throughout the
         State: (List names of newspapers)

5. [ X ] Designated agent’s declaration of best interests of the institution to make sale or
   lease through process other than public auction or sealed bid.

   [ ] Date ratified by The Board of Trustees:

   [ ]

   Dec-14-2020

Signature of Campus Designated Agent

1 Other than 1) quitclaim deeds, 2) dispositions associated with the granting of easements and rights-of-way, and 3) leases specifically excluded from the requirements of Board Rule 470.
Justification Statement

De Minimis Property Dispositions

In 1995, The University of Alabama ("University") was gifted thirteen (13) lots located in the Edenwood Subdivision, Hueytown, Alabama ("Lots"). The Lots are substandard due to topographic and other considerations and have demonstrated no chance of appreciating in value. The University has attempted to dispose of them previously with minimal interest and therefore has not been able to realize any benefit from the gift to support the original purpose. These Lots were listed with a licensed real estate broker to generate interest and maximize returns for the University and the designated Scholarship fund.

The Riverside Drive Subdivision Remnant Parcel is no longer contiguous to The University of Alabama with the transfer of the adjacent parcel to the City of Tuscaloosa for the water tower project. The size of the lot precludes any potential benefit to the University and is only of benefit to the adjacent property owner.

It is believed the sale of these properties, as enumerated in Exhibit A, and based on highest and best use standards and the need to realize value and return on the asset, is justified and in the best interest of The University of Alabama and the State of Alabama.

[Signature]
Rob Cooper
Designated Campus Agent

Dec-14-2020
Date
Exhibit 1
List of Names to be Directors on the Foundation Board of Directors

Angus R. Cooper, II
John J. McMahon, Jr.
James W. Wilson, III
William R. Battle, III
John Russell Thomas
Thomas L. Patterson
Robert W. Moore
William B. Sexton
Larry W. Morris
Jamie Tisch
Karen P. Brooks
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Anil Chadha
Regions Bank

Brooks Harris
Harris Doyle Homes

Bryant Turner
ARC Realty

C. Phillip McWane
McWane, Inc.

Charles E. Nowlin
Nowlin & Associates

Daniel Dillon
Rives Construction

Danny McKinney
McKinney Capital

David L. Silverstein
The FiveStone Group
Don Huey  
Magic City Title

Don Williams  
Employment Screening Services

Donald M. Hire, Jr.  
Armstrong Relocation Company

Emmett McLean  
Medical Properties Trust

Garrett McNeil  
JGM Development Company, LLC

Gavin Prier  
Prier Construction Inc.

H. Craft O’Neal  
O’Neal Industries

Hafiz F. Chandiwala  
Coca Cola Bottle Company United, Inc.

Harold W. Ripps  
Rime Capital Account

Hatton CV Smith  
Back Forty Beer Company

Houston Smith  
Alabama Power

James C. Lee, III  
Buffalo Rock Company

James J. Filler  
Jefferson Iron and Metal Co.

Joe Maluff  
Full Moon BBQ
John Whitcomb  
Red Mountain Medical

Joseph L. McGee  
Legacy Community Federal Credit Union

Justin R. Craft  
Nowlin & Associates, Inc.

Lenora Pate  
Sirote & Permutt, PC

M. Don Logan  
BASS, LLC

M. James Gorrie  
Brasfield & Gorrie, LLC

M. Miller Gorrie  
Brasfield & Gorrie, LLC

Mark Ingram  
The University of Alabama at Birmingham

Mayor Randall Woodfin  
City of Birmingham

Merrill H. Stewart, Jr.  
Stewart/Perry Construction

Michael D. Thompson  
Thompson Tractor Co., Inc.

Michael F. Pizitz  
Pizitz Management Group

Miles M. Cunningham  
Precision Grinding, Inc.

Nelson S. Bean  
Synovous
Richard Murray, IV
National Bank of Commerce

Robert A. Simon
Corporate Realty Associates

Robert Buchalter
Capital Growth Buchalter, Inc.

T. Michael Goodrich, II
First Avenue Ventures

T. Michael Goodrich
Timberline Holdings

The Hon. James T. Waggoner
Alabama State Senator

Thomas H. Brigham, Jr.
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Thomas R. Cosby
Birmingham Landmarks

Tremele D. Perry
Perry Law, LLC

Wes Calhoun
Shoe Corp

Wes Foss
Perimeter Security Partners

William B. Morton, Jr.
Robins & Morton

William Carroll
Armstrong Relocation

William R. Ireland, Jr.
National Bank of Commerce
Zack Cloud
Goldman Sachs

**Ex Officio Member of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee pursuant to Article II, Section 5 of the First Revised and Restated Bylaws of UAB Athletics Foundation**
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List of Names to be Members of the Foundation Executive Committee

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STUDENT/FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS

UA STUDENT RECEIVES MARSHALL SCHOLARSHIP
Caroline Yuk, a senior from Crystal Lake, Illinois, is the third UA student to win the Marshall Scholarship and first in more than 40 years. The scholarship provides aid to American students to study at graduate level UK institutions in any field of study. Yuk, an interdisciplinary studies major in UA's New College, will pursue postgraduate degrees in neuroscience at the University of Oxford and audiology science at University College London.

STUDENT RECEIVES TOP AWARD FROM THE SOCIETY OF WOMEN ENGINEERS
Senior Lauren Pan received one of the Society of Women Engineers' most prestigious collegiate awards this year. Pan was named Outstanding Collegiate Member for her "stellar academic and internship performance; for commitment to both ethics and social responsibility; and for championing diversity and inclusion in SWE, on campus and beyond." The award was announced at SWE's annual WE20 conference, held virtually in early November. SWE is a worldwide organization that advocates for women in engineering and technology with more than 40,000 members globally, about half of which are collegiate members.

STUDENT DOCUMENTARY WINS BEST STUDENT FILM AT DC BLACK FILM FESTIVAL
Master of Journalism student Elroy Johnson's documentary follows three Black teenagers in a Dallas, Texas STEM program. The documentary, "Building the Bridge," won best student film at the DC Black Film Festival in Washington, D.C. Now that the film is complete, Johnson is conducting contract work with PBS on community engagement and education.

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CAPSTONE AGENCY NAMED TOP STUDENT-RUN FIRM BY PRSSA
UA's Capstone Agency has been awarded Best Student-Run Firm by the Public Relations Student Society of America. Given annually by PRSSA, this award evaluates firms based on their agency operations, billable hours, client work, client
revenue, professional development opportunities for members, agency culture and pro bono work. This is the third time Capstone Agency has been awarded top firm by PRSSA. The first was in 2016 and last in 2018. Because firms are not permitted to win in consecutive years, this marks the third win in the last three opportunities for Capstone Agency.

UA’S RURAL MEDICAL SCHOLARS PROGRAM ADDS 10 STUDENTS
Ten students studying to become physicians with plans to practice in rural Alabama communities were recently accepted to UA’s Rural Medical Scholars Program for the 2020-21 academic year. The Rural Medical Scholars Program, part of UA’s College of Community Health Sciences, is a five-year medical education program that leads to a medical degree. The program includes a year of study after students receive their undergraduate degree, and leads to a master’s degree in rural and community health and early admission to the UA School of Medicine.

UA FACULTY AND GRAD STUDENTS SHINE AT NCTE AWARDS
Two UA professors and two graduate students were recognized with high honors at the 2020 National Council of Teachers of English awards. The awards recognized work of exceptional educators and students who advance literacy education by providing diverse opportunities that elevate English teaching and learning. The award winners were Dr. Latrise Johnson, Hannah Sullivan, Dr. Alexis McGee and Khadeidra Billingsley.

ABDULRAUF NAMED UAB’S FIRST SCHWARZMAN SCHOLAR
Zarah Abdulrauf, a UAB College of Arts and Sciences student, has been named one of the 154 Schwarzman Scholars worldwide and the first from UAB.

Schwarzman Scholars is a fully funded, one-year master’s degree and leadership program at Tsinghua University in Beijing, China. More than 3,600 candidates applied from all over the world, approximately 400 candidates were interviewed and only 154 Schwarzman Scholars were selected as part of the 2022 class.

SINGH RECEIVES $7.6 MILLION IN RESEARCH FUNDING FOR RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS STUDY
Jasvinder Singh, M.D., received $7.6 million from the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute to study the effectiveness of the two most commonly used drug classes for the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis. The study will examine patients who do not respond to methotrexate, the first-line therapy for RA.

Singh, professor of medicine in UAB’s Division of Immunology and Rheumatology, and his team will compare how the drugs affect patient-reported outcomes with the hope of choosing the best course of treatment of the patient.

CANON RECEIVES HIGHEST HONOR FROM AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR WOMEN IN RADIOLOGY
Cheri Canon, M.D., has been selected to receive the 2020 Marie Sklodowska-Curie Award, the American Association for Women in Radiology’s highest honor.

The award recognizes outstanding accomplishments in leadership, teaching, research and scholarship that have impacted women in radiology professions. Canon was nominated by Kristin Porter, M.D., Ph.D., associate professor in the Department of Radiology and AAWR president-elect.

TUSCHER NAMED A BRAIN & BEHAVIOR RESEARCH FOUNDATION YOUNG INVESTIGATOR

Jennifer Tuscher, Ph.D., a postdoctoral fellow in the lab of Jeremy Day, Ph.D., UAB’s Department of Neurobiology, has received a Brain & Behavior Research Foundation Young Investigator Award, a prestigious grant that pays $35,000 a year for two years.

Tuscher will use her award to better understand which molecular adaptations initiated by drug use are necessary for the transition to the addicted state — such work will provide important insights for the potential development of novel genetic and epigenetic therapies for addiction.

UAB GRADUATE STUDENTS AWARDED U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FELLOWSHIP

Three UAB students have been awarded a 2020-2021 Dwight David Eisenhower Transportation Research fellowship by the United States Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration. Grace Albright, Austin Svancara and Gabriela Sherrod are doctoral students in the College of Arts and Sciences’ Department of Psychology.

All three are graduate research assistants in the UAB Translational Research for Injury Prevention Lab. The fellowship program is awarded to graduate or doctoral students pursuing degrees in transportation-related disciplines. The program works to advance the transportation workforce by encouraging future transportation professionals to seek advanced degrees and help retain top talent in the U.S. transportation industry.

STUDENT, FACULTY, STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

UAH COLLEGE OF ARTS, HUMANITIES, AND SOCIAL SCIENCES AT UAH ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR RECEIVES OUTSTANDING FACULTY MEMBER AWARD

Associate Professor of Sociology, Dr. Christina Steidl, received the Outstanding Faculty Member Award for the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences at the University of Alabama in Huntsville.

TOP SCHOLARS ARE ANNOUNCED DURING DECEMBER COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

The College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences announced the top scholars for spring semester 2020 and fall semester 2020 during the December commencement ceremony. The top scholar for spring 2020 was Robin
Holt Flachbart, Bachelor of Arts in History, with minors in Ancient and Medieval Studies and Art History. The top scholar for fall 2020 was Catherine Oelberg, Bachelor of Fine Arts.

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AT UAH ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR RECEIVES OUTSTANDING FACULTY MEMBER UNIVERSITY EXCELLENCE AWARD
Dr. Frank Mullins, Associate Professor of Management, received the College of Business Outstanding Faculty Member Award for the University of Alabama in Huntsville.

TOP SCHOLARS ARE ANNOUNCED DURING DECEMBER COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY
The College of Education announced the top scholars for spring semester 2020 and fall semester 2020 during the December commencement ceremony. The top scholars for spring 2020 were Halee Pegues, Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology, and Jayne Snider, Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education. The top scholars for fall 2020 were Isabella Huddleston, Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology, and Abigail Pinkerton, Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education and Bachelor of Arts in English.

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AT UAH ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR AND ASSOCIATE DEAN OF UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION IN THE COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING RECEIVES UNIVERSITY EXCELLENCE AWARD
Dr. Jennifer English, Associate Dean of Undergraduate Education and Associate Professor in the College of Engineering, received the University Distinguished Teaching Award for Faculty from the University of Alabama in Huntsville.

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AT UAH UNIVERSITY EXCELLENCE AWARD GOES TO DEPARTMENT CHAIR
The Department of Curriculum and Instruction's Department Chair and Associate Professor Dr. Wolfram Verlann received the Outstanding Faculty Member Award for the College of Education at the University of Alabama in Huntsville.

UNIVERSITY EXCELLENCE AWARD GOES TO COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR
Associate Professor of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, Dr. Sarma Rani, received the Graduate
Advisor Award for the College of Engineering.

TOP SCHOLARS ARE ANNOUNCED DURING DECEMBER COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

The College of Engineering announced the top scholars for spring semester 2020 and fall semester 2020 during the December commencement ceremony. The top scholar for spring 2020 was Thomas Salverson, Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering. The top scholar for fall 2020 was William “Owen” Sanders, Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering.

COLLEGE OF NURSING AT UAH ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR RECEIVES UNIVERSITY EXCELLENCE AWARD

Dr. Susan Alexander, Associate Professor of Nursing, received the 2020 University Distinguished Research and Creative Achievement and Scholarly Performance Award for Faculty from the University of Alabama in Huntsville.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF LEARNING AND TECHNOLOGY RESOURCE CENTER RECEIVES AWARDS

Dr. Lori Lioce, Clinical Professor and Executive Director of the Learning and Technology Resource Center, was selected as a Fellow in the American Academy of Nursing (FAAN). The invitation was extended based on individual leadership and accomplishments in the nursing profession and recognized nursing leaders in education, management, practice, and research. Dr. Lioce also received the Outstanding Faculty Member Award for the College of Nursing at the University of Alabama in Huntsville.

PROFESSOR RECEIVES UNIVERSITY EXCELLENCE AWARD

Professor of Nursing, Dr. Pam O’Neal received the Graduate Mentor Award from the University of Alabama in Huntsville.

CLINICAL ASSISTANT PROFESSOR RECEIVES OUTSTANDING FACULTY AWARD

Dr. Tracy Lakin, Clinical Assistant Professor of Nursing, received the Outstanding Faculty Award from the Nurse Practitioner Alliance of Alabama.

CLINICAL INSTRUCTOR OF NURSING IS ELECTED TO ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Ms. Jennifer Palmer, Clinical Instructor of Nursing, was elected to the Northwest Alabama Community Health Association Board of Directors, Northwest Alabama Community Health Association, Florence, AL.

TOP SCHOLARS ARE ANNOUNCED DURING DECEMBER COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

The College of Nursing announced the top scholars for spring semester 2020 and fall semester 2020 during the December commencement ceremony. The top scholars for spring 2020 were
Savanna Sanford, Pre-licensure Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program, and David Hendricks, Bachelor of Science in Nursing RN to BSN Track. The top scholars for fall 2020 were Rachel Collins, Pre-licensure Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program, and Kasandra Jordan, Bachelor of Science in Nursing RN to BSN Track.

COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AT UAH RECENT GRADUATE RECEIVES DISTINGUISHED AWARD

Dr. Parisa Mostafavi, recent Space Science PhD graduate, was awarded the 2020 Space Physics and Aeronomy Fred L. Scarf Award by the American Geophysical Union. The Fred L. Scarf Award is given annually to one honoree in recognition of an outstanding dissertation that contributes directly to solar-planetary science. Dr. Mostafavi was chosen from nominees submitted from throughout the world.

UNIVERSITY EXCELLENCE AWARD IS GIVEN FOR UNIVERSITY RESEARCHER OF THE YEAR

Dr. Laxman Adhikari, Postdoctoral Researcher at the Center for Space Plasma and Aeronomic Research, and Dr. Lingling Zhau, Research Scientist in the Department of Space Science, both received the University of Alabama in Huntsville University Researcher of the Year Award.

UNIVERSITY EXCELLENCE AWARD GOES TO DEPARTMENT CHAIR

Physics and Astronomy Department Chair and Professor, Dr. James Miller, received the Outstanding Faculty Member Award for the College of Science at the University of Alabama in Huntsville.

TOP SCHOLARS ARE ANNOUNCED DURING DECEMBER COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

The College of Science announced the top scholars for the spring 2020 and fall 2020 semesters during the December commencement ceremony. The top scholar for spring 2020 was Manohar Devarasetty, Bachelor of Science in Chemistry and Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences. The top scholar for fall 2020 was Stefanie Mehlich, Bachelor of Science in Earth System Science, with a minor in Mathematics. The Honors College at the University of Alabama in Huntsville's top scholars for spring 2020 and fall 2020 were also College of Science students. Manohar Devarasetty, Bachelor of Science in Chemistry and Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences, was the Honors top scholar for fall. Stefanie Mehlich, Bachelor of Science in Earth System Science, with a minor in Mathematics, was the Honors top scholar for spring.

OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT FOR RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (OVPRED) AT UAH

UAH PROFESSOR AND EMINENT SCHOLAR IN PROPULSION RECEIVES OUTSTANDING FACULTY MEMBER AWARD

Dr. Phil Ligrani, Eminent Scholar in Propulsion and Professor of Mechanical and Aerospace

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Engineering, received the 2020 College of Engineering Outstanding Faculty Member Award from the University of Alabama in Huntsville.

UAH PROFESSOR AND EMINENT SCHOLAR IN PROPULSION RECEIVES UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH AND CREATIVE ACTIVITY MENTOR AWARD

Dr. Phil Ligrani, Eminent Scholar in Propulsion and Professor of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, received the 2020 Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity Mentor Award from the University of Alabama in Huntsville.
ADVANCES IN RESEARCH

UAB GETS NIH GRANT TO IMPROVE COVID-19 TESTING IN UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS

UAB launched a community-based testing model in Jefferson County, Alabama, as part of an effort to improve access, acceptance, uptake and appropriate follow-up to COVID-19 testing in traditionally underserved populations.

UAB's Minority Health and Health Disparities Research Center has received funding from the National Institutes of Health RADx-UP program to carry out the three-pronged interventional program. The UAB effort builds on a successful pilot testing program conducted by the MHRC and Live HealthSmart Alabama, the inaugural UAB Grand Challenge project that provided testing to African American and Hispanic residents in Jefferson County.

RHEUMATOLOGY RESEARCH FOUNDATION GRANT ALLOWS FOR ADVANCEMENT IN TELEHEALTH

UAB researchers and collaborators have received a two-year, $400,000 grant from the American College of Rheumatology's Rheumatology Research Foundation to support telehealth-delivered health care.

The ultimate goal of this project is to increase patient access to care, expand the impact of rheumatology — especially for those marginalized or most at risk by the COVID-19 pandemic — and enable and improve the value of care provided by rheumatology providers in community settings through telehealth.

UAB STARTUP COMPANY RECEIVED FDA CLEARANCE FOR LIVER MAGING SOFTWARE

AI Metrics, LLC, a medical imaging startup focused on leveraging artificial intelligence to improve patient care, has received United States Food and Drug Administration 510(k) clearance and CE mark clearance for the company's Liver Surface Nodularity software.

AI Metrics was founded by Andrew D. Smith, M.D., Ph.D., vice chair of Clinical Research in the UAB Department of Radiology. Smith seeks to improve accuracy, efficiency and standardization in radiologic imaging and reporting by incorporating cutting-edge technology.

OBESITY HEALTH DISPARITIES RESEARCH CENTER ANNOUNCED NEW UAB PILOT PROJECT RECIPIENT AND SCHOLARS

The UAB Obesity Health Disparities Research Center, a Minority Health and Health Disparities Research Center initiative funded through the National Institute of Minority Health and Health Disparities' Centers of Excellence program, announced its most recent pilot project recipient, Carrie Howell, Ph.D., an instructor in the UAB Division of Preventive Medicine.

Howell's project will investigate the impact of social determinants of health on insulin resistance and poor COVID-19 outcomes.
COLLEGE OF ARTS,
HUMANITIES, AND SOCIAL
SCIENCES AT UAH
COLLEGE OF ARTS,
HUMANITIES, AND SOCIAL
SCIENCES ASSISTANT
PROFESSOR RECEIVES GRANT
Dr. Nathan Tenhundfeld, Assistant Professor in Psychology, and his team were awarded a $300,000 grant for work entitled “Formation, Implementation, and Verification of Requirements for Human-Autonomy Teaming” from the Naval Postgraduate School’s CRUSER program.

COLLEGE OF ARTS,
HUMANITIES, AND SOCIAL
SCIENCES ASSISTANT
PROFESSOR HAS ARTICLE
ACCEPTED FOR PUBLICATION
Dr. Nathan Tenhundfeld had a paper entitled “Wielding a Gun Increases Judgments of Others as Holding Guns: A Randomized Controlled Trial” accepted for publication in Cognitive Research: Principles and Implications.

UAH ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
HAS ARTICLE PUBLISHED
Dr. Candice Lanius, Assistant Professor of Communication Arts, had a co-authored paper entitled “Drawing on Personas: How User Personas Affect Creativity,” published in the journal Technical Communication.

UAH ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
SERVES AS CO-PI ON FUNDED
NSF GRANT
Dr. Candice Lanius, Assistant Professor of Communication Arts, was selected to serve as co-PI on the NSF funded “A Columbia Collaborative Research: EarthChem SESAR-Data Infrastructure for Geochemistry and Earth Science Samples Communities.”

ART, ART HISTORY, AND DESIGN
PART-TIME FACULTY MEMBER
RECEIVES AWARD GRANT
Part-time Instructor Willoughby Hastings was awarded an Artist Relief Grant from the Warhol Foundation’s Verdant Fund.

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AT UAH
UAH ACCOUNTING PROFESSOR
HAS PAPER ACCEPTED FOR
PUBLICATION
Dr. Hank Alewine, Associate Professor of Accounting, had a paper accepted for publication in Accounting, Auditing and Accountability Journal. The article, “The Sunk Cost Fallacy and Throwing the Baby Out with the Bathwater: A Little Like Rocket Science,” was co-authored with Dr. Basil Tucker of the University of South Australia.

UAH MARKETING PROFESSOR
HAS PAPER ACCEPTED FOR
PUBLICATION
Dr. Yongchuan (Kevin) Bao, Associate Professor of Marketing, and co-authors, had an article published in IEEE Transactions on Engineering Management. The article was entitled “Does More CEO Ambivalence Lead to Higher Organizational Ambidexterity? A Paradoxical Perspective.”

UAH MANAGEMENT SCIENCE
PROFESSOR HAS ARTICLE
ACCEPTED FOR PUBLICATION
Dr. Qingyun (Serena) Zhu, Assistant Professor of Management Science, had an article accepted for publication in Sustainable Production and Consumption. The article was entitled “Evaluating Energy Analysis at the Nexus of Circular Economy and Sustainable Supply Chain Management.”
**UAH EMINENT SCHOLAR AND PROFESSOR HAS PAPER ACCEPTED FOR PUBLICATION**

Dr. Jatinder (Jeet) Gupta, Professor, and Eminent Scholar, with co-authors, had a paper entitled, “A Framework for a Sustainable Craft Beer Supply Chain,” accepted for publication in the *International Journal of Wine Business Research.*

**UAH ECONOMICS PROFESSOR HAS PAPER ACCEPTED FOR PUBLICATION**

Dr. David Allen, Professor of Economics, had a paper entitled, “Crime, Universities, and Campus Police,” accepted for publication in *Applied Economics.* The paper was Dr. Allen’s third in a trilogy related to the economics of self-protection against crime in education settings.

**COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AT UAH**

**COLLEGE OF EDUCATION ASSISTANT PROFESSOR RECEIVES AWARD GRANT FOR COVID-19 IMPACT RESEARCH**

Dr. Kimberly Hile, Assistant Professor in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction, received an education research grant of $50,000 from the Spencer Foundation. The title of her research project was “Impact of the COVID-19 on Families of Infants and Toddlers with Disabilities: Learning Through Family Photos and Stories.”

**COLLEGE OF EDUCATION ASSISTANT PROFESSORS HAVE ARTICLE ACCEPTED FOR PUBLICATION**

Drs. Frances Hamilton, Kimberly Hile, Dana Skelley, Sarah Roller, and Sandra Lampley of the Department of Curriculum and Instruction had a co-authored paper entitled, “Exploring Students’ Perceptions of Collaboration and Critical Thinking Skills Following an Escape Room Experience,” accepted for publication in *The Journal of Campus Activities Practice and Scholarship.*

**COLLEGE OF EDUCATION ASSISTANT PROFESSOR HAS ARTICLES ACCEPTED FOR PUBLICATION**

Dr. Shannon Mathis, Assistant Professor of Kinesiology, had a paper entitled, “Salt and Water Balance After Sweat Loss: A Study of Bikram Yoga” accepted for publication in *Physiological Reports,* and “Effects of Flight Altitude on the Lift Generation of Monarch Butterflies: From Sea Level to Overwintering Mountain” accepted for publication in *Bioinspiration & Biomimetics.*

**COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AT UAH**

**UAH PROFESSOR AND POSTDOC RESEARCHER HAVE ARTICLE ACCEPTED FOR PUBLICATION**

Dr. Yu Lei, Associate Professor of Chemical Engineering, and Dr. Moonhyung Jang, Post-Doctorial Scholar of Chemical Engineering, had a paper entitled, “Ultrasonic Atomization of Titanium Isopropanoxide at Room Temperature for TiO2 Atomic Layer Deposition” accepted for publication in *Journal of Vacuum Science & Technology A.* The paper was selected as an editor’s pick in the journal and focused on a new way to deposit a thin layer of atoms as a coating onto a substrate of material at near room temperature, a procedure invented at UAH.
COLLEGE OF NURSING AT UAH ASSOCIATE DEAN OF GRADUATE PROGRAMS PUBLISHES IN NURSING EDUCATION PERSPECTIVES

Dr. Karen Frith, Professor of Nursing and Associate Dean of Graduate Programs, published “Telehealth Delivery Model in the Mainstream,” and Assessment of Online Education: Part 2.”

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF LEARNING AND TECHNOLOGY RESOURCE CENTER (LTRC) PUBLISHES ARTICLES


COLLEGE OF NURSING ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR PUBLISHES ARTICLE

Dr. Susan Alexander, Associate Professor of Nursing, published “Quality of Life and Mortality of Brazilian Nonagenarians and Centenarians with Urinary Incontinence: Urinary Incontinence in 90+ Brazilians” in Pan-American Journal of Aging Research.

COLLEGE OF NURSING FACULTY PUBLISH ARTICLE

Ms. Miranda Smith, Clinical Instructor of Nursing, and Dr. Rebecca Davis, Clinical Assistant Professor of Nursing, published an article entitled “Can You Escape? The Pharmacology Review Virtual Escape Room” in Simulation & Gaming.

COLLEGE OF NURSING CLINICAL ASSISTANT PROFESSOR PUBLISHES ARTICLE

Dr. Cheryl Emich, Clinical Assistant Professor of Nursing, had an article accepted for publication in the International Journal of Nursing Education Scholarship, entitled “Teaching Evidence-Based Practice Piece by PEACE.”

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF NURSING PUBLISHES ARTICLES

Dr. Lenora Smith, Assistant Professor of Nursing, had two articles published, “The Mobile Physical Activity and Cognitive Training (mPACT) App for Older Adults: A Pilot Study” was published in Computers & Informatics in Nursing, and “Geriatric Palliative Care” in the NHCGNE Newsletter.

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF NURSING PUBLISHES ARTICLE

Dr. Jennifer Bail, Assistant Professor of Nursing, published “Biomarkers Associated with Tumor Ki67 and Cathepsin L Gene Expression in Prostate Cancer Patients Participating in a Weight Loss Trial” in Frontiers in Oncology.

COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AT UAH UAH COLLEGE OF SCIENCE PROFESSOR OBTAINS FOUR RESEARCH GRANTS

Dr. Stephen Walker, Assistant Professor of Physics and Astronomy, was awarded a NASA research grant of $73,375 on the project entitled “NuStar Observations of the Strong Shock in the Merging Cluster SPT-CLJ2031-4037”, a NASA research grant of $78,430 on the project entitled “A Complete View of
the Sloshing Activity in the Perseus Cluster,” a Chandra/SAO research grant of $70,210 on the project entitled “A High Resolution View of the Extreme 1Mpc Radius Cold Front in A2142,” and a Chandra/SAO research grant of $80,810 on the project entitled “Deep Chandra Observations of the Strong in the Merging Cluster Shock in the Merging Cluster SPT-CLJ2031-4037.”

UAH COLLEGE OF SCIENCE PROFESSOR RECEIVES RESEARCH GRANT
Dr. Lingze Duan, Professor of Physics and Astronomy, was awarded as a Co-PI an EPA research grant of $25,000 on the project of “Distributed Fiber-Optic Turbidity Sensor Network.”

UAH COLLEGE OF SCIENCE PROFESSOR IS AWARDED PATENT
Dr. Lingze Duan, Professor of Physics and Astronomy, has been issued a U.S. patent entitled “Signal Analysis Systems and Methods,” co-authored with former graduate student Dipen Barot.

UAH ASSISTANT PROFESSOR HAS ARTICLE ACCEPTED FOR PUBLICATION
Dr. Zachary Culumber, Assistant Professor of Biological Sciences, had a paper entitled, “MicroRNA Expression Variation as a Potential Molecular Mechanism Contributing to Adaptation to Hydrogen Sulphide” accepted for publication in the Journal of Evolutionary Biology.

UAH COLLEGE OF SCIENCE PROFESSOR PUBLISHES PAPER

SPACE SCIENCE CHAIR AND CSPAR RESEARCHERS HAVE PAPER ACCEPTED FOR PUBLICATION
Dr. Laxman Adhikari, CSPAR Postdoctoral Researcher, Dr. Gary P. Zank, SPA Chair, Dr. Lingling Zhao, CSPAR Researcher, Dr. Masaru Nakatani, CSPAR Postdoctoral Research Assistant, and Dr. Samira Tasnim, CSPAR Postdoctoral Researcher, had a paper entitled, “Modeling Proton and Electron Heating in the Fast Solar Wind” accepted for publication in the Astronomy and Astrophysics Journal.

UAH/CPSAR RESEARCHERS HAVE ARTICLE PUBLISHED
SPA Graduate Student, Mr. Talwinder Singh, Dr. Tae Kim, and Professor Nikolai Pogorelov at the Center of Space Plasma and Aeronomic Research and the Department of Space Science, had a paper entitled, “Application of a Modified Spheromak Model to Simulations of Coronal Mass Ejection in the Inner Heliosphere” accepted for publication in Space Weather.

UAH GRADUATE STUDENT PUBLISHES PAPER
Ms. Yu Chen, a PhD student at the Department of Space Science (SPA), had a paper entitled, “Small-Scale Magnetic Flux Ropes in the First Two Parker Solar Probe Encounters,” published in The Astrophysical Journal. The co-authors include Dr. Qiang Hu, an Associate Professor of SPA, and Dr. Lingling Zhao of CSPAR.
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UAH PROFESSOR and EMINENT SCHOLAR HAVE ARTICLES PUBLISHED


UAH COLLEGE OF SCIENCE PROFESSOR PUBLISHES ARTICLE

Dr. Gang Li, Professor in the Department of Space Science, published an article in the Astrophysical Journal, entitled “Observations of Outward-Propagating and Mirroring of the Same Energetic Electrons by Wind.”

RESEARCH SCIENTISTS CO-AUTHOR AN ARTICLE ACCEPTED FOR PUBLICATION

CSPAR Research Scientists, co-authored paper entitled, “Magnetohydrodynamic Turbulent Evolution of a Magnetic Cloud in the Outer Heliosphere,” was accepted for publication in Astrophysical Journal Letters. The co-authors were Daniele Telloni, Lingling Zhao, Gary P. Zank, Haoming Liang, Masaru Nakanotani, Francesco Carbone, Raffaella D'Amicis, Roberto Bruno, and Sergio Dasso.

UAH COLLEGE OF SCIENCE PROFESSOR RECEIVES NSF GRANT

Dr. Qiang Hu, Associate Professor of Space Science (SPA), received an NSF grant entitled “Collaborative Research: Dynamic and Non-force-free Properties of Solar Active Regions and Subsequent Initiation of Flares.” The total award amount was $298,366.00 for Dr. Hu’s team to carry out fundamental research on solar active region evolution over the project period 04/01/2020 - 03/31/2023.
UAH RESEARCH SCIENTIST HAS ARTICLE ACCEPTED FOR PUBLICATION

Dr. Federico Fraternale, Research Scientist I of CSPAR, had a paper entitled “Waves and Turbulence in the Very Local Interstellar Medium: From Macroscales to Microscales” accepted for publication in The Astrophysical Journal.

CSPAR RESEARCH SCIENTIST RECEIVES GRANT FROM STSCI

Tae Kim, Research Scientist II at the Center for Space Plasma and Aeronomic Research, received a grant award from the Space Telescope Science Institute in support of the project titled “Tracking the Uranian Magnetosphere BetweenSolstice and Equinox and the Inner Rotation Rate of the Planet.”

UAH ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR AND A RECENT UAH PHD GRADUATE HAVE PAPER ACCEPTED FOR PUBLICATION

Dr. Tyler Engleston, recent PhD graduate from the Propulsion Research Center, and Dr. Jason Cassibry, Associate Professor in the Propulsion Research Center, had a paper entitled “Investigations of a Novel Boundary Condition Approach for the Accurate Prediction of Hypersonic Oblique Shocks in Mesh-Free Lagrangian Simulations,” accepted for publication in Aerospace Science and Technology.

UAH COLLABORATORS RECEIVE DOE GRANTS

Dr. Gabe Xu and collaborators received two DOE grants with a total value of $848,000 to study plasma interactions with surfaces and magnetic fields. The collaborators are Dr. Vladimir Kolobov (CSPAR), Dr. Jason Cassibry (MAE), and a small business (CFDRC). The first rotating detonation engine at UAH was successfully fired over 40 times at the PRC. The project was funded by Drs. Xu and Robert Frederick partially through the NSF ESPCoR project CPU2AL. The engine was built by graduate student Even Unruh, and test support provided by Michaela Spaulding, James Venters, Tony Hall, and Dr. David Lineberry.

PROPULSION RESEARCH CENTER RESEARCHERS RECEIVE AWARD

Drs. Cassibry and Gabe Xu received an award from Limitless Space Institute (LSI) for $143,000 to study breakeven pulsed fusion for in-space fusion propulsion.

UA RESEARCH CONTINUES TO SURGE

For the seventh consecutive year, UA earned record external funding for research and other sponsored activities, further securing its stature as a major comprehensive research-intensive university and one of the fastest growing research enterprises in the nation. For the 2020 fiscal year, sponsored awards at UA, a part of The University of Alabama System, reached more than $168.4 million, an increase of more than 27% over the previous year, which was also record breaking. In the last two fiscal years, sponsored awards increased by 70%. Sponsored awards include all competitive external funding for research, instruction, other sponsored activity, fellowships and construction.
UA RECEIVES GRANT TO STUDY SOCIAL, EMOTIONAL LEARNING IN CHILDREN

UA’s College of Education recently received a $5 million federal grant to study the importance of social and emotional learning in relation to the academic and overall success of elementary school students. The project researches how social and emotional learning, or SEL, is vital to a student’s success, in the classroom and in life. SEL teaches students how to be aware and manage their feelings while understanding others in any environment because they have learned to do so in a safe and positive SEL environment at school.

UA CONTRIBUTING SOLUTIONS TO WASTEWATER TREATMENT IN RURAL ALABAMA

UA is one of several universities partnered in a project supported and managed by Columbia World Projects to pilot an approach to wastewater treatment in Alabama’s Black Belt and demonstrate that clustered, decentralized wastewater treatment systems can yield health, economic and environmental benefits for rural communities. The project aims to provide equitable, technically feasible and financially sustainable methods for delivering wastewater treatment systems to underserved, low-income communities in the United States and around the world. The initial $710,000 funding for the 5-year project can be leveraged to secure more grants.

UA-LED STUDY OF SOUTHEASTERN GROUNDWATER ASSISTS WATER MANAGEMENT

UA is leading a 4-year, $6 million project to conduct groundwater research. The data and modeling tools developed will provide new scientific insights and make useful groundwater predictions for the Southeast. The information can be used to manage and allocate groundwater resources in critical areas such as drought management, drinking water, ecology, climate models and agriculture. UA is partnered with four other universities in the grant from the National Science Foundation.

UA RESEARCHERS PLAY CRITICAL ROLE IN INNOVATION FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLES

Dr. Yang-Ki Hong, an engineering researcher at UA, leads a group of campus researchers focused on improving electric motors in vehicles by improving efficiency and reducing costs while relying on more sustainable materials. UA is one of four universities selected by the National Science Foundation to team with government agencies and private companies to tackle challenges facing technological advances in automobiles as part of an NSF Industry/University Cooperative Research Center, or IUCRC, for Efficient Vehicles and Sustainable Transportation Systems. It was established to support efforts by the automotive and ground transportation industries to meet new federal regulations governing vehicle fuel economy and emissions, as well as society’s expectations for improved sustainability.

STUDY HIGHLIGHTS LINK BETWEEN DEPRESSIVE SYMPTOMS AND STROKE RISK

People with multiple depressive symptoms have an increased risk for stroke, according to findings published recently in Neurology: Clinical Practice. The collaborative study led by investigators at UA and UAB showed that
individuals who scored higher on a test designed to measure depressive symptoms had a higher stroke risk than those with lower scores. The study involved 9,529 Black and 14,516 white stroke-free participants, aged 45 and older, enrolled in the UAB-led REGARDS study. REGARDS is a national, population-based longitudinal study designed to examine risk factors associated with racial and regional disparities in stroke incidence and mortality.
NEWS ABOUT DEVELOPMENT

AEROJET ROCKETDYNE INC. has given $200,000 in support of the Chair in Space Science.

Bryant Bank has contributed $100,000 in support of the Bryant Bank UAH Excellence in Nursing Scholarship. They have also donated $25,000 to the UAH Athletics Excellence Fund.

The Boeing Company has donated $27,000 to support the Boeing Annual Scholarships in Business and Engineering.

The Boeing Company has also donated $29,250 to support various Engineering Programs at UAH to include the National Society of Black Engineers, the Society of Women Engineers, the Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers, New Venture Challenge, the Fusion Propulsion Course, and the Integrated Product Teams.

The Jane K. Lowe Foundation has contributed $50,000 in support of the maintenance of the UAH Lowe House.

Northrop Grumman has given $31,000 in support of various Engineering Programs at UAH to include National Society of Black Engineers, Society of Women Engineers, Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers, Tech Trek at UAH, The Space Hardware Club, Charger Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Integrated Product Team, RAMP Up Project at UAH, Career Development, Charger Rocket Works, I.S. Audit and Controls Student Group, Senior Aircraft Design Program, Association of Computing Machinery, UAH Cybersecurity Club, Structural Composites Lab, College of Engineering Dean's Excellence Fund, and Best Camp, (Be an Engineering Student for rising 11th and 12th graders.) They have also contributed $2,000 to the Computer Science program at UAH.

Mr. James Gordon Hughes Sr. has donated $26,250 to establish the James Gordon Hughes Sr. Endowed Scholarship in Nursing.

Mr. Tom Gray has given an in-kind gift valued at $17,327 to the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences Theatre Department in the form of technical theatre rigging and automation.

Torch Technologies has donated $12,000 in support of the Torch Technologies Measurement and Instrumentation Lab.

Mr. David Kubik has donated $10,000 in support of the Adam J. Kubik Scholarship for the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences.

Pei Ling Chan Trust has donated $10,000 to the UAH Honors College.

The Honorable Loretta Spencer has given $10,000 in support of the UAH Hockey Program.
Mr. and Mrs. W. Weldon Wilson have donated $10,000 in support of the Wilson Family Scholarship.

UA HAS RECORD FUNDRAISING YEAR
The University of Alabama saw the highest fundraising year to-date during the 2019–20 fiscal year, which included charitable gifts and pledges in excess of $222 million from nearly 60,000 donors. Highlighting this success was reaching the $15 million fundraising goal to support construction of a new Performing Arts Academic Center. The PAAC, along with a fully restored Bryce Main building, will provide dance and theatre students with world-class venues and advanced equipment to hone their skills.

ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP TO SUPPORT NURSING STUDENTS
Donna and Jim Reddinger pledged $100,000 to establish The Donna and Jim Reddinger Endowed Nursing Scholarship to support nursing students.

NEW DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP IN MEDICINE
Richard D. and Gloria J. deShazo pledged $800,000 to establish the Richard D. and Gloria J. deShazo Diversity in Medicine Endowed Scholarship to support first-year medical students from Alabama and Mississippi.

ENDOWED LECTURESHIP IN THE COMPREHENSIVE CARDIOVASCULAR CENTER

Elva Lynita Katerina Caudill gave $250,000 to create the Bill and Methyl Caudill Endowed Lectureship in the Comprehensive Cardiovascular Center. This fund will support lectures that promote education and collaboration between UAB faculty, staff, students, and experts in the field of cardiovascular medicine and research.

SCHOLARSHIP TO SUPPORT COLLAT SCHOOL OF BUSINESS
Alfred John Lucas and Laura Burrus Lucas pledged $25,000 to support students in the Collat School of Business through the Thomas McClurg Acheson Endowed Memorial Scholarship.
CONFERENCE/SYMPOSIA/PROGRAMS

COLLEGE OF ARTS,
HUMANITIES, AND SOCIAL
SCIENCES AT UAH
UAH PROFESSOR PRESENTS
RESEARCH AT NATIONAL
CONFERENCE

Dr. Eletra Gilchrist-Petty,
Professor of Communication Arts,
presented "Continuing the
Conversation: Intersecting
Communication and STEM Across
the Discipline" and "Disrupting
Whiteness Standards when
Responding to Racially-Motivated
Campus Incidents" at the November
2020 National Communication
Association, Virtual Convention.

UAH PROFESSOR AND
INSTRUCTOR PRESENT AT
STATE CONFERENCE

Dr. Eletra Gilchrist-Petty,
Professor of Communication Arts,
and Dr. John Saunders, Instructor of
Communication Arts, presented
during the "State of the State
Association" November 2020
Alabama Communication
Association, Virtual Panel
Discussion.

COLLEGE OF ARTS,
HUMANITIES, AND SOCIAL
SCIENCES ASSISTANT
PROFESSOR GENERATES AND
CHAIRS PANEL, PRESENTS
PAPER

Laura Lake Smith, Assistant
Professor of Modern and
Contemporary Art History, generated
and chaired the 2020 Southeastern
College Art Conference (SECAC)
session, "Contemporary Art in the
Wake of the Digital Revolution."

Therein, Dr. Smith also presented a
paper entitled, "Grappling with the
Logic of the Digital: Some Histories
and Propositions for the Future."

COLLEGE OF ARTS,
HUMANITIES, AND SOCIAL
SCIENCES ASSOCIATE
PROFESSOR IS GUEST
LECTURER

Art, Art History and Design
Associate Professor Katie Baldwin
gave a guest lecture at Ringling
College of Art and Design.

UAH PROFESSOR OF
POLITICAL SCIENCE
PRESENTS PAPER AT ANNUAL
CONFERENCE

Dr. John R. Pottenger,
Professor of Political Science,
presented his research paper,
"Glocalization' and the Paradox of
Religious Pluralism: A Challenge to
Globalization," at the International
Studies Association-Midwest Annual

POLITICAL SCIENCE FACULTY
MEMBER PRESENTS
RESEARCH AT ANNUAL
MEETING

Dr. Noelle Hunter, Lecturer in
Political Science, presented her
research paper, "Not Your
Grandaddy's Vote: Perceived Racial
Efficacy among African-American
Voting-Eligible Men in Alabama," at
the Mid-South Sociological
Association Annual Meeting, October
ART, ART HISTORY, AND DESIGN PART-TIME FACULTY MEMBER EXHIBITS

ARTWORK

Part-time Instructor Willoughby Hastings had work selected for Fact vs. Fiction, a national juried exhibition at Museum at Gallery 263, in Cambridge, MA. Hastings' work was also chosen for the School of the Museum of Fine Arts at Tufts University, Inaugural Juried Online Art Sale and Exhibition and for 80/20Alabama Women's Caucus for Art juried exhibition, Lowe Mill North Gallery, Huntsville Alabama.

ART, ART HISTORY, AND DESIGN PART-TIME FACULTY MEMBER EXHIBITS

ARTWORK

College of Arts Humanities and Social Sciences Part-time Instructor Aynslee Moon had work selected for 80/20, the Alabama Women's Caucus for Art juried exhibition, Lowe Mill North Gallery, Huntsville, Alabama.

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AT UAH

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION ASSISTANT PROFESSOR GIVES PRESENTATIONS

Dr. Frances Hamilton, Assistant Professor in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction, presented "From the Voices of Kindergarten Teachers: Factors That Impact Decisions about Teaching Science" at the 2020 Mid-South Educational Research Conference, held virtually; and "Need Energy to Integrate Science and Language Arts Instruction? We're Chewing on Food Chains and Webs!" at the 2020 Tennessee Science Teachers Association Conference Meeting, held virtually.

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION ASSISTANT PROFESSOR GIVES PRESENTATION

Dr. Dana Skelley, Assistant Professor in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction, presented "Second Graders' Perceptions on Writing Identity: Working through a Digital Process" at the 2020 Literacy Research Association's annual conference, held virtually.

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION LECTURER CONDUCTS PROFESSIONAL EDUCATIONAL WEBINAR

Dr. Hamsa Mahafza, Lecturer in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction, organized and coordinated a webinar: "Activities Developed by a Team of Foreign Language Pre-service Teachers while Exploring the ACTFL World," at the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL), October 26, 2020.

COLLEGE OF NURSING AT UAH

COLLEGE OF NURSING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF TECHNOLOGY RESOURCE CENTER (LTRC) PRESENTS CONFERENCE PAPERS

Dr. Lori Lioce, Clinical Professor and Executive Director of the Learning and Technology Resource Center, had three technical papers presented at the 13th Annual International Conference of Education, Research and Innovation. The presented papers were titled, "3D Printed Anatomical Models for
Training Nursing Students”, “3D Printed Model Development of a Vertebral Compression Fracture at 11: Before and After a Kyphoplasty Procedure”, and “Identification of Metrics for Benchmarking Family Care Practices: An Element in Nursing Education.”

COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AT UAH UAH ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR GIVES PRESENTATION

Dr. Bruce Stallsmith presented “Luxilus Chrysocephalus, Striped Shiner, Spawns March-May in North Alabama” at the 2020 meeting of the Southeastern Fishes Council held online.

UAH DEPARTMENT OF SPACE SCIENCE CHAIR GIVES PRESENTATIONS

Dr. Gary Zank presented briefings about the Plasma 2020 Decadal Review to the National Science Foundation Physics Division and Engineering Division Leadership and separately to the APS Division of Plasma Physics Meeting participants. Also, during November, Dr. Zank presented a Plasma 2020 Decadal Review to the National Academy of Science Board of Physics and Astronomy.

DEPARTMENT OF SPACE SCIENCE DOCTORAL STUDENT, SPA CHAIR AND SPA GRADUATE COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT POSTER

Space Science Doctoral Graduate Student Bishwas Lal Shrestha presented the poster, “Strength of the Termination Shock Inferred from the Inner Heliosheath ENA Flux,” at the AGU Fall 2020 Meeting. The poster was co-authored by Space Science Graduate Committee Member Dr. Eric Zirnstein, Space Science Graduate Committee Member Dr. Jacob Heerikhuisen, and Space Science Chair, Dr. Gary Zank.

SPACE SCIENCE CHAIR AND CSPAR RESEARCHERS PRESENT AT FALL MEETING

Dr. Laxman Adhikari, CSPAR Postdoctoral Research Assistant, Dr. Gary Zank, SPA Chair, and Dr. Lingling Zhao, CSPAR Researcher, presented “A Solar Coronal Hole and Fast Solar Wind Turbulence Model and First-orbit Parker Solar Probe (PSP) Observations” at the AGU Fall Meeting, held in December.

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UAH PROFESSOR and EMINENT SCHOLAR IN PROPULSION PRESENTS A TECHNICAL PAPER

Dr. Phil Ligrani, Eminent Scholar in Propulsion and Professor of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, presented a technical paper, entitled “Louver Slot Cooling and Full-Coverage Film Cooling with a Combination Internal Coolant Supply,” at the Virtual Online Conference, ASME TURBO EXPO 2020: Turbomachinery Technical Conference and Exposition.

UAH PROFESSOR and EMINENT SCHOLAR IN PROPULSION PRESENTS AN INVITED BRIEFING PAPER

Dr. Phil Ligrani, Eminent Scholar in Propulsion and Professor of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, presented an invited briefing paper, entitled, “Fostering
Hypersonic Innovation Through Decisive Academic Research and Collaboration,” at the 2nd Annual Hypersonic Weapons Conference, which took place on October 28-30, 2020, and was sponsored by the IDGA - Institute for Defense and Government Advancement in Washington, D.C.

CSPAR RESEARCH SCIENTIST PRESENTS AT ANNUAL AGU FALL MEETING

Tae Kim, Research Scientist II at the Center for Space Plasma and Aeronomic Research, presented “An Empirically Driven MHD Model to Predict the Solar Wind at Parker Solar Probe and Solar Orbiter During the Current Solar Minimum” at the 2020 American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting held online.

RESEARCH SCIENTIST PRESENTS A POSTER AT ANNUAL CONFERENCE


RESEARCH SCIENTIST PRESENTS INVITED TALK

Dr. Haoming Liang, Research Scientist of CSPAR, presented an invited talk, “Kinetic Entropy as a Diagnostic in Particle-in-Cell Simulations of Astrophysical, Heliospheric, and Planetary Plasmas” at the 19th Annual International Astrophysics Conference in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

UAH RESEARCH SCIENTIST PRESENTS AT INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS

Dr. Federico Fraternale, Research Scientist I of CSPAR, presented “Shock-Mediated Turbulent Cascade and Magnetic Field Structures Observed by Voyagers in the Heliospheric Boundary Layer” at the 2020 AGU Fall Meeting and “Properties of Magnetic Turbulence from High Resolution Voyager Data in the Very Local Interstellar Medium and Inner Heliosheath” at the 3rd Interstellar Probe Exploration Workshop.

UAH RESEARCH SCIENTIST GIVES INVITED PRESENTATION

Dr. Federico Fraternale, Research Scientist I of CSPAR, was invited to present “Voyager Observations of Waves and Turbulence in the Local Interstellar Medium and Heliosheath” at the seminar organized by the Simons Foundation Collaboration on Wave Turbulence, on November 4, 2020; and “Voyager Observations of Waves and Turbulence in the Local Interstellar Medium and Heliosheath” at the Space Radiation Lab, Caltech, Sack Lunch Seminar, on November 5, 2020.

UAH DEPARTMENT OF SPACE SCIENCE CHAIR GIVES INVITED TALKS

Dr. Gary Zank gave a talk, “Turbulence Transport in the Solar Corona: Theory, Modeling, and Parker Solar Probe,” at the APS Division of Plasma Physics Meeting, virtual, in November. Dr. Zank also gave the Keynote Talk at the Texas Section of American Physical Society
Meeting, Virtual, titled “The Genesis of Humanity's Galactic Adventure.”

UAH DEPARTMENT OF SPACE SCIENCE CHAIR FEATURED ON PANEL

Dr. Gary Zank was featured on a Division of Plasma Physics Panel at the APS Division of Plasma Physics Virtual Meeting held in November.

UAH SCIENTIST CONTRIBUTES TO PRESENTATION AT FALL MEETING

Dr. David Falconer co-authored with Habash Krause “Combining Eigenanalysis with Machine Learning Techniques to Identify Ionospheric Storm Drivers in Large Space Weather Data Sets,” which was presented at the American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting, 2020.

UAH ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR IS PANELIST AT PROPULSION FORUM

Dr. Jason Cassibry, Associate Professor in the Propulsion Research Center, was a panelist for “Nuclear Enabled Propulsion” at the AIAA ASCEND 2020 forum.

UAH SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING CO-HOSTED CARDIOVASCULAR BIOENGINEERING SYMPOSIUM

UAH's Department of Biomedical Engineering co-hosted the 2020 Progenitor Cell Translation Consortium Cardiovascular Bioengineering Symposium on Dec. 5.

The virtual symposium focused on cardiac gene and cell therapy topics, including areas of gene editing, induced pluripotent stem cells, cardiac stem cells in the context of heart failure, cardiovascular bioengineering, vascular tissue engineering, cardiac development, exosomes, microRNAs and mitochondria. The conference was co-organized by Jay Zhang, chair of the UAB Department of Biomedical Engineering, and Wolfram Zimmerman, Ph.D., of the University Medical Center Göttingen.

O'NEAL CANCER CENTER HOSTED SHINE A LIGHT ON LUNG CANCER VIRTUAL EVENT

In an effort to provide credible information to the community about lung cancer, the O’Neal Comprehensive Cancer Center at UAB hosted a “Shine a Light on Lung Cancer” virtual event Nov. 9.

Shine a Light is a national initiative sponsored by the GO2 Foundation for Lung Cancer that the O’Neal Cancer Center partners with to persuade smokers and former smokers in seven Alabama counties to seek screening for lung cancer.

UAH HOSTED MORE THAN 20 VIRTUAL PRESS CONFERENCES, PROVIDING KEY DETAILS ON COVID-19

Since October, UAB University Relations has held more than 20 virtual press conferences to share timely information about the COVID-19 pandemic with broad audiences.

Each press conference featured leading experts from UAB who discussed and answered questions on topics including general information about the virus, hospital updates, public health and safety measures, treatments for the virus, and the importance of the vaccine,
among others. Local, regional and national media outlets participated and used content from these events.
CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

UAB RANKED AMONG TOP GRADUATE SCHOOLS FOR ENTREPRENEURSHIP STUDIES FOR 2021

UAB’s Collat School of Business was ranked No. 48 on The Top Graduate Schools for Entrepreneurship Studies 2021 list. The 2021 program rankings are based on more than 300 undergraduate and graduate schools’ entrepreneurship programs. Each list ranks the top 50 schools considered the best in the country for students aspiring to become entrepreneurs. In 2021, UAB will enter the rankings for the first time.

UAB AWARDED $48.3 MILLION NASA COLD STOWAGE II CONTRACT

UAB’s Engineering Innovation and Technology Development research group was awarded a NASA contract worth up to $48.3 million for the group’s continued work toward building and maintaining cold-stowage units for the International Space Station.

The new contract’s base period began Friday, Jan. 1, 2021, and will run through Sept. 30, 2022, followed by two additional one-year options and one additional 14-month option that may be exercised at NASA’s discretion. The contract will support maintenance, sustaining engineering, integration and operations of the freezers in support of researchers’ objectives involving temperature-controlled science.

UAB BECOMES FIRST HEALTH PROMOTING UNIVERSITY IN THE UNITED STATES

UAB is the first university in the United States to adopt the Okanagan Charter and become an internationally recognized Health Promoting University. Health Promoting Universities are an international community that aspires to transform the health and sustainability of current and future societies, strengthen communities, and contribute to the well-being of people, places and the planet.

The International Health Promoting Campuses Network is guided by the Okanagan Charter, which calls on postsecondary schools to infuse health into campus culture and lead health promotion action and collaboration locally and globally.

UAB AWARDED HONORABLE MENTION FOR SIGMA XI HONOR SOCIETY CHAPTER PROGRAM OF EXCELLENCE

UAB’s chapter of Sigma Xi — the scientific research honor society — earned an honorable mention for the Chapter Program of Excellence Award. This award is given to chapters that have organized or hosted a single, outstanding program, especially one that other chapters can emulate.

In particular, the Program of Excellence Award recognizes initiatives that address the four cornerstones of the society’s mission: honor in science and engineering, STEM education, science policy, and the public understanding of science. The chapter received this award for a seminar titled “Wetumpka Impact Crater — Alabama’s Greatest Natural Disaster,” given by James Lowery, a UAB retiree who has been a member of Sigma Xi for 22 years.

UAB EARNED WOMEN’S CHOICE AWARD “BEST HOSPITAL” DESIGNATION FOR SIX AREAS

UAB Hospital has received the 2021 America’s Best Hospitals
designation from Women's Choice Award for the practice areas of obstetrics, orthopedics, heart care, stroke care, cancer care and breast care.

These areas were awarded based on the hospital's outstanding achievement in clinical excellence and patient experience and satisfaction. By appearing on the Best Hospitals list, these UAB clinical areas are considered to represent the top 10 percent of hospital practices across the country. The Women's Choice Award is an independent referral source for women, aiming to empower women to make better health care choices.

**COLLEGE OF ARTS, HUMANITIES, AND SOCIAL SCIENCES AT UAH**

**DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE SENATE SIMULATION BECOMES STUDENT RUN ORGANIZATION**

Dr. Noelle Hunter, Lecturer in Political Science, taught PSC 302 (American Congress) in the Fall 2020 semester as a simulation of the U.S. Senate. Plans were made to continue the simulation as a Student-Run Organization (SRO).

**COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AT UAH**

**UAH ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR PRESENTS PUBLISHED RESEARCH**

Dr. Yongchuan (Kevin) Bao, Associate Professor of Marketing, appeared on the *UAH Faculty Headline* for his research published at *Strategic Entrepreneurship Journal*, a Financial Times top 50 business journal.

**UAH GRADUATE STUDENTS ENGAGE WITH BUSINESS LEADERS**

The College of Business launched The Leadership 1:10 Series. The series is an exclusive opportunity for business graduate students and leaders within the Huntsville business community.

**OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT FOR RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (OVPRED) AT UAH**

**ROTATING DETONATION ENGINE TEST-FIRES FOR FIRST TIME AT UAH'S PROPULSION RESEARCH CENTER**

RDEs were test-fired for the first time at UAH. RDEs are a tantalizing engineering concept that could be transformative for rocket propulsion, offering better fuel efficiency than continuous-burn solid or liquid propellant engines if the inherent instabilities that make them run can be better controlled.

**UAH PROPULSION RESEARCH CENTER HOLDS ROTATION DETONATION ENGINE WEBINAR**

The Propulsion Research Center held an update webinar in November on the subject of rotating detonation engines with panelists Evan Unruh (UAH), Dr. Gabe Xu (UAH), Mr. Scott Claflin (Aerojet Rocketdyne), and Dr. John Bennewitz (AFRL). There were over 30 attendees from academia, industry, and government.

**MAE PROFESSORS OFFER VIRTUAL SHORT COURSE ON ROCKET AND SPACE PROPULSION**

Drs. Gabe Xu, Jason Cassibry, and David Lineberry taught a 4-hour virtual short course on rocket and space propulsion as part of the AIAA NextGen Symposium in October.
EXPERIENCED LEADER NAMED DEAN OF SOCIAL WORK

Dr. Schnavia Smith Hatcher has been selected to lead the University of Alabama’s School of Social Work as dean beginning Aug. 1, 2021. Hatcher, a Selma native, comes to UA after serving as director of the School of Social Work at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. She was selected following a nationwide search for an innovative, future-oriented and facilitative leader with a high scholarly profile. Hatcher holds a doctorate in social work from the University of Kansas, a master of social work from the University of Georgia, and a bachelor of psychology degree from Spelman College.

UA PRESIDENT’S ADVISORY COMMITTEE PRESENTS PLAN TO PROMOTE DIVERSITY, INCLUSION

The UA President’s Advisory Committee for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion released its comprehensive report, which includes strategies for ongoing coordination and expansion of UA’s DEI efforts. The ‘Path Forward’ report was developed with an eye to the future as it relates to diversity, equity, inclusion and higher education, according to G. Christine Taylor, vice president of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, associate provost and chair of the advisory committee. It builds on the third goal of the University’s strategic plan, to enrich learning and work environments by providing an accepting, inclusive community that attracts and supports a diverse faculty, staff and student body.

UA WINS BEAT AUBURN BEAT HUNGER FOOD DRIVE, 4TH YEAR IN A ROW

UA won the 2020 Beat Auburn Beat Hunger food drive for the fourth year in a row, raising 291,047 pounds of food, over Auburn’s 259,160 pounds of food. Since beginning in 1994, the Beat Auburn Beat Hunger food drive and the Beat Bama Food Drive have collected more than 7 million pounds of nonperishable food for needy families in Alabama. All food and money collected from the Beat Auburn Beat Hunger food drive benefits the West Alabama Food Bank. The food bank works with nine counties in West Alabama, serving a population of more than 315,000 residents.

SOFTWARE PARTNERSHIP HELPS FILL NEED FOR CRYPTOCURRENCY SKILLS

In a unique agreement, UA is partnering with the leading provider of compliance and investigation software of cryptocurrency transactions to provide cutting-edge education and training for students. Chainalysis, the blockchain analysis company, will provide access to its market-leading software and training programs designed by instructional design and training experts for integration into a course offered through the UA Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice. Students will learn about cryptocurrency’s role in the financial system and criminal transactions as well as understand the principles of blockchain technologies that enable cryptocurrency.
FREE PROGRAM HELPS CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES, DEVELOPMENTAL DELAYS

Professionals at UA are offering support to families of young children with disabilities or developmental delays free of cost through a new early intervention program, EI@UA, which is funded through the Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services. EI@UA is an early intervention program through Alabama’s Early Intervention System that provides special education and related services to infants and toddlers under the age of 3 and their families.

UA TO LAUNCH EARLY LEARNING INITIATIVE AT GADSDEN IN JANUARY 2021

The UA College of Education will launch the UA Early Learning Initiative at Gadsden in January 2021 at the University’s Gadsden Center. The UA Early Learning Initiative at Gadsden will serve as a model early childhood education program. The program will provide area children and families with high-quality, inclusive learning experiences, act as a professional development site for teacher education students and practicing teachers from around the state, and serve as a research site where UA faculty can conduct innovative research related to early childhood education and child development.

UA CROSSINGPOINTS RECEIVES GRANTS TO ENHANCE EDUCATION EFFORTS

UA’s CrossingPoints Transition Program, which provides young adults with intellectual disabilities the opportunity to develop life skills, has received two federal grants totaling more than $4 million to enhance education efforts for participants, as well as special education teachers and rehab counselors.
RETIEMENTS/DEATHS

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Retirements:

David Luce, Landscaper I, Grounds Management
John Maxon, Assistant Vice President, Student Affairs, Director of Residential Life
William Roberts, Principal Research Scientist, VII, Step 2, Systems Management & Production Center
Rosemary Robinson, Coordinator, Diversity Initiatives, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

Deaths:

Albert Biggs, Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Retired
Nancy Dillard, Assistant Professor, English, Retired
Ronald Eakes, Assistant Professor, English, Retired

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Retirements:

Kevin Felton Almond, Staff, athletic director
Harriet O. Deason, Staff, University Libraries
Julie Elmore, Staff, Fraternity and Sorority Life
Ronald Louis Konya, Staff, Enterprise Technology
Nancy Diane Simpson, Staff, Trial Advocacy
Renae D. Sullivan, Staff, Edge Labs
Patricia E. Thompson, Staff, Facility Custodial
Willie E. Thompson, Staff, Building Maintenance
Kevin Todd, Staff, Plumbing Maintenance
Barry P. Winters, Staff, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning

Deaths

Dr. Jennings Bryant, Retired Faculty, Communications
Dr. Drury S. Caine, Retired Faculty, Arts and Sciences
Nora F. Clark, Retired Staff, Small Business Development
Dr. Phillip W. Coulter, Retired Faculty, Physics
Thomas Davis, Retired Staff, Academic Affairs
Pamela H. Ewing, Staff, University Libraries
Tyrone Fells, Retired Staff, Facility Custodial
Dr. Samuel C. Gambrell Jr., Retired Faculty, Engineering
Clara Granata, Retired Staff, Engineering
Dr. Thomas Merritt, Retired Faculty, Engineering
Dr. Walter Misioslek, Retired Faculty, Economics
Yvonne Vester, Retired Staff, Engineering
Barbara Weston, Retired Staff, Nursing
Mattie M. Woods, Retired Staff, Custodial

UAB

Retirements:

Sheila Akers-Hunter, Dental Hygienist, Periodontology
Donna Arrington, RN-Auditor, Business Analytics/Decision Support
Craig Beard, Associate Professor, UAB Libraries
Vickie Bender, Food Services Worker Sr, Food & Nutrition Services
Vanessa Bolden, RN-Assistant Nurse Manager, Transplant & General Surgical Services
Bernice Bowen, Environmental Services Specialist-Campus, Building Services
Mary Bowers, Program Manager II, Pediatrics-Infectious Disease
Kyle Boyett, Director-Emergency Management & Safety, Emergency Management
David Brown, Carpenter/Cabinet Maker, Hospital Maintenance
Daniel Bullard, Professor/Associate Dean, Graduate School Dean’s Office
Vince Burgett, Construction Supervisor DBS, Facilities Quality Assurance & Compliance
Robert Burton, Scientist I, Medicine-Pulmonary/Allergy/Critical Care
Benjamin Carr, Manager-Temporary Services Employment, Employment
Loletha Carr McKinney, Unit Secretary, Medical Nursing
Irshad Chaudry, Professor Surgery, Surgery-Shock Resuscitation Section
Jianyi Cheng, Programmer/Analyst II, School of Optometry Dean’s Office
Latita Chess, RN, Transplant & General Surgical Services
Joann Clough, RN-Transitional Care Coordinator, Care Management
Cynthia Colburn, Patient Accounts Representative II, Optometry Clinical Services
Kathy Coleman, Administrative Associate, Molecular & Cellular Pathology
Dale Conner, HVAC Mechanic, Campus Maintenance
Shirley Cooper, Environmental Services Specialist-Campus, Building Services
Lydia Cowser, Program Manager I, Curriculum Instruction
Dayle Craig, Clinical Research Nurse Coordinator II, Comprehensive Cancer Center
Jo Andra Crawford, Manager-Patient Financial Services
Grace Daniel, Lab Supervisor, Medicine-Infectious Diseases
Susan Davies, Professor Public Health, Health Behavior
Debbie Debardlabon, Histology Technician, Labs-Hospital
Dianne Dent, Office Associate II, Surgery-Plastic
Deborah Dill, RN, Endoscopy Services
Rachael Doughty, Financial Affairs Associate I, Executive Director, Financial Affairs
Amy Finch, Patient Services Coordinator II, Pediatric Neurosurgery
Sandra Frazier, Professor, Physician Health
Robbie Gardner, MRI Techno, Radiology-UAB Highlands
Teresa Green, Certified RN First Assistant-CVOR, Perioperative Services
Mary Hall, RN-OR, Perioperative Services
Carolyn Hamilton, Environmental Services Specialist-Campus, Building Services
Donna Henderson, Cardiology Technician Noninvasive, Cardiovascular Imaging
Gustavo Heudebert, Professor/Associate Dean, Medicine-General Internal Medicine
Sara Hicks, Office Associate II, Clinical & Diagnostic Science Chair Office
Marcus Hickson, Professor, Communication Studies
Alfreda Holmes, Patient Care Technician, Neurology-Hospital
Elizabeth Howard, Program Manager-SPH Programs, Epidemiology
Julie Huff, Program Coordinator II, Medicine-Immunology/Rheumatology
Patricia Hunt, RN-Clinical Care Coordinator, Cardiovascular Services
Kevron Jimerson, Inventory Control Technician II, Support Services
Ann Johnson, Financial Systems Analyst III, Controller's Office
Frank Johnson, Biomedical Equipment Technician III, Biomedical & Clinical Engineering
Denise Jones, Medical Lab Tech Cert, Labs-UAB Highlands
Prentella Jones, Environmental Services Specialist-Hospital, Environmental Services
Brenda King, Office Services Specialist II, Postdoctoral General Dentistry
Janet Kite, RN, Women's & Infants Services
Donna Knight, Administrative Associate, Pathology Informatics
Josephine Langham, Supervisor-Central Supply Services, Perioperative Services
Pamela Layton, Buyer II, Purchasing-Hospital
Joan Lewellyn, Pharmacist, TKC Pharmacy
Cheryl Lewis, Administrative Supervisor, Neurology Chair Office
Jodie Love, RN-Assistant Nurse Manager, Emergency Services Trauma/Burns
Linda Lutfi, Office Associate II, Survey Research Unit
Tran Mars, Clinic Coordinator, Optometry Clinical Services
Palgunachari Mayakonda, Researcher IV-H, Medicine-Cardiovascular Disease
Tamara McCants, Patient Care Technician, Medical Nursing
Dixie McCormick, RN, Medical Nursing
Sandra McNeal, Clinical Database Manager II, Surgery-Kirklin Institute for Research in Surgical Outcomes
Lorenzo McQueen, General Mechanic, Hospital Maintenance
Tonja Meadows, Manager-Clinical Research Nursing, Medicine-Pulmonary/Allergy/Critical Care
Cordelia Merk, Program Coordinator II, School of Education Dean's Office
Ludwine Messiuen, Professor Medicine, Clinical Genetics
Deborah Moore, Administrative Supervisor, Physical Therapy
Debra Myers, Radiation Therapist, Radiation Oncology-Hospital
Pamela Parker, Executive Assistant I, College of Arts and Sciences
Robert Pass, Professor Pediatrics MD, Pediatrics-Hospital Medicine
Lisa Reich, CRNA-Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist, Anesthesia Services
Melinda Rodgers, Advanced Practitioner Provider-Medical, BMT Support
Linda Sargent, Office Associate II, Surgery-Transplantation
Anthony Schimizzi, Associate Professor, UAB Libraries
Jane Schwebke, Professor Medicine MD, Medicine-Infectious Diseases
Bingdong Sha, Professor, Cell, Developmental, & Integrative Biology
Rebecca Shaw, RN-Professor Development Specialist, Nursing Services
Toby Siegel, Community Relations Director, Office of VP for UAB Advancement
Jacqueline Smith, RN-Procedure, Radiology-Hospital
Patricia Smith, RN-Assistant Nurse Manager, Women’s & Infants Services
Jan Stone, Executive Assistant I, Honors College Dean’s Office
Tammy Tarrant, RN, Medical Nursing
Jerron Taylor, RN, Emergency Services Trauma/Burns
Victor Thannickal, Professor Medicine MD, Medicine-Pulmonary/Allergy/Critical Care
Cynthia Thomas, Environmental Services Specialist-Campus, Building Services
Janice Thompson, Environmental Services Specialist-Campus, Building Services
Lisa Underwood, Compliance Specialist-Hospital, Corporate Compliance
Floddie Vincent, Nurse Manager, Nursing Services-UAB Highlands
Marsha Wakefield, Associate Professor Anesthesiology MD, Anesthesiology Chair Office
Dana Walton, Food Services Worker, Food & Nutrition Services
Susan Wells, Computer System Administrator-Enterprise, Desktop Support Services
Leisa Whitlow, Phlebotomist-SOM, Medicine-Preventive Medicine
Mary Williams, Food Services Worker Sr, Food & Nutrition Services
Clark Witherspoon, Professor, Ophthalmology
Warren Wright, Social Worker MSW, Transplant Operations
Qi Wu, Researcher V, Medicine-Immunology/Rheumatology
Xizeng Wu, Professor, Radiology Chair Office
Pingar Yang, Researcher V, Medicine-Immunology/Rheumatology
Karen Yekel, Office Associate II, Surgery-Transplantation

Deaths:

Tolulope Aduroja, PRE-ORACLE
Calvin Alexander, Medical Technologist Lead, Labs-Hospital
Chris Farley, MLT-Special Procedures Lab, UAB Hospital Management LLC
Janice Grubbs, PRE-ORACLE
Taleshia Holland, Cert Medical Assistant, Surgical-Enterprise-TKC
Michael Howard, General Mechanic, Campus Maintenance
Vivian Hughes, RN, Neurosurgery-Hospital
Elizabeth Johnson, Professor, Theatre
Juanita Johnson-Cooper, PRE-ORACLE
Sonia Makhija, Professor, Behavioral & Population Sciences
Easter Mealing (Smith), PRE-ORACLE
Bessie Miller-Brown, PRE-ORACLE
Annetta Moore, Environmental Services Specialist-Campus, Building Services
John Myers, Operations Analyst III-Enterprise, Health System Information Services
Twoller Reese, Physical Therapist Assistant-PRN, UAB Hospital Management LLC
Michael Seymore, Patient Care Technician, Medical Nursing
Executive Summary
UAB Institutional Presentation 2021
President Ray L. Watts
February 5, 2021

Since March 2020, UAB has been a leader in combating the COVID-19 pandemic on a local, state, national and global level. At the same time, the university has made tremendous strides—despite the pandemic—in all areas of its mission.

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Mission-wide Strides Made Despite the Pandemic

- UAB achieved a **fifth straight year of record enrollment** (22,563) and **record retention** (86.4%).
  - Very diverse student body with **underrepresented students making up 42.5%** of overall enrollment, and **first-generation students making up 21%** of undergraduate enrollment. UAB was again recognized as a **Diversity Champion** by Insight Into Diversity magazine, one of only 14 nationally.
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  - **Mccallum Research Building renovation** opening September 2021 (northwest corner of University Boulevard and 20th Street)
  - **Science-Engineering Complex** (Phase I) opening February 2023 (between 13th and 14th Street)
  - Construction on **Protective Stadium** continues, on pace to open summer 2021
  - **Altec/Styslinger Genomic Medicine & Data Sciences Building** (just east of 19th St. between University Blvd. and 6th Ave)
    - Represents the future of modern healthcare; will accelerate advancements in precision medicine, informatics and data sciences
    - $50M in State support, $5M from Jefferson County, and private philanthropy
    - Tremendous impact on medicine and our economy: 50+ investigators, 300 support staff; increase of $75- $85M in research funding; projected $100M impact on Birmingham area

*In Memorium: Dr. Charles A. “Scotty” McCallum (1925-2021), UAB’s third president (1987-1993).*

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Master's in Health Administration

1. **Nursing Administration & Clinical Nurse Leader**
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3. **Nurse Practitioner—Family**
4. **Nursing—Adult Gerontology, Acute Care**
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7. **Nursing Doctorate (overall)**
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12. **Medicine—Surgery & Occupational Therapy**

17 **GRADUATE PROGRAMS IN U.S. NEWS TOP 25**
## Research: Our Most Successful Era of Funding Continues

![Graph showing research funding growth from FY15 to FY20](image)

- **FY15:** $448M
- **FY16:** $452M
- **FY17:** $478M
- **FY18:** $527M
- **FY19:** $602M
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  - Robust and balanced research portfolio (50/50 life sciences, engineering)

- Key senior leadership
  - Michael Catalano, Chief Operating Officer
  - Mark Suto, Vice President for Life Sciences

- Partnering with UAB on an effective, dynamic Strategic Plan
  - We want to position SR as a national and international leader in both life sciences and engineering

Campus Master Plan: Next Steps

McMAHON HALL
opening spring 2021

Northeast corner of 10th Avenue and 16th Street

TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION CENTER
opening February 2021

Southeast corner of 9th Avenue and 17th Street
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**McCALLUM RESEARCH BUILDING RENOVATION**
opening September 2021

Northwest corner of University Boulevard and 20th Street

**SCIENCE-ENGINEERING COMPLEX**
(Phase I)
opening February 2023

Between 13th and 14th Street

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- Represents the *future of modern healthcare*, will accelerate advancements in precision medicine, informatics and data sciences

- **$50M in State support, $5M from Jefferson County, and private philanthropy**

- **Tremendous impact** on medicine and our economy:
  - 50+ investigators, 300 support staff
  - Increase of $75 - $85M in research funding
  - Projected $100M impact on Birmingham area

**ALTEC/STYSLINGER GENOMIC MEDICINE & DATA SCIENCES BUILDING**

Just east of 19th St. between University Blvd. and 8th Ave.
Research: Our Most Successful Era of Funding Continues
Campus Master Plan: Next Steps

In Memorium: Dr. Charles A. “Scotty” McCallum (1925-2021)

- UAB's third president (1987-1993)
- Dr. McCallum's visionary leadership and service laid the foundations for much of the success we highlight today
- His legacy is evident in the tremendous growth and progress of UAB, Birmingham and Alabama—in decades past and into the future
Board of Trustees Meeting, February 4-5, 2021
UAB Faculty Representative: Dr. Mike Sloane

Introduction
Chancellor St. John, President Pro Tem Starnes, members of the board of trustees, Presidents Watts, Bell, and Dawson; Provosts Boenot, Curtis, and Dalton; faculty, staff, and students of the UA System.

I joined the UAB faculty back in 1982, and it has been a pleasure being part of UAB's transformation into a world class institution of higher education, research, and healthcare delivery. From the perspective of someone how has spent his entire professional career at UAB, I would like to try to communicate the character and pioneering spirit of UAB and how these traits manifest themselves in the various aspects of our mission and how they enhanced our ability to cope with the current pandemic.

We work in the shadow of Vulcan and we take lessons from the history of the city. The civil rights leaders, the people of Birmingham, and importantly the young people of Birmingham, had the courage to bring about change in the face of daunting circumstances. That same spirit of refusing to accept the status quo, of dreaming of a better world, of reaching across artificial boundaries is ingrained in the UAB spirit. It is precisely because we are located in Birmingham that UAB is so committed to 'Forging the Future,' as our strategic plan is called. UAB is a place where change-makers are welcome and the future is forged.

Research
UAB has a global reputation for inter-departmental, thematic research centers, or cores. These facilitate the sharing of equipment and resources, and foster research collaborations. These centers, along with the youth of our university, allow us to transcend traditional departmental boundaries that can often impede the development of exciting new initiatives.

A good example of this collaborative research environment was evident at our international COVID-19 Research Symposium back on October 28, in which Tony Fauci participated. The Symposium highlighted all the ongoing COVID-related basic science research, clinical trials of vaccines, and therapeutic treatments happening here at UAB. A hallmark of the presentations was the interdisciplinary collaboration of researchers and clinicians from a large array of units across our campus.
While the public perception of UAB often focuses primarily on the strength of our biomedical research, the real strength of our institution is drawn from the excellence in scholarship across all disciplines across. My home department of Psychology, for example, has over $14 million in research funding and our Medical Psychology program, one of our three doctoral programs in the department, is among the most competitive graduate programs at UAB.

It is also important to point out that research is not just about funding. Departments across the university are replete with faculty whose scholarship is nationally and internationally recognized.

As our research portfolio continues to expand we must wisely leverage these gains to enhance our existing research infrastructure and academic resources in ways that further incentivize our faculty so that UAB can continue to attract change-makers who will forge the future.

**Education**

Interdisciplinary collaboration also characterizes our educational mission. Many of innovative undergraduate and graduate degree programs combine the unique expertise in various units across the campus to offer students novel degree programs at the cutting edge of discovery.

These will be nicely complemented by our new, faculty-driven signature core curriculum, which is well under way. The new Signature Core targets competencies that aren’t necessarily the domain of any one department so we expect to offer a dynamic array of core courses catered to modern times in Fall 2022.

I want to mention two other major characteristics of a UAB education.

1. Our interdisciplinary culture encourages undergraduate and graduate students to conduct research with faculty mentors outside their immediate major or graduate degree program. I have been a lifelong advocate for undergraduate research. Back in the 1980s, I launched a departmental undergrad research competition which is now in its 34th year. My University Honors Program launched the UA System Honors Research Conference in 2002, where honors students from all three campuses present their scholarly work. This conference, which rotates across the three campuses, is still going strong. After much advocacy on my part, UAB launched our Office of Undergraduate Research and the campus wide undergraduate research EXPO in 2008. The EXPO is now held three times a year. Several years ago I approached President Watts about establishing a Summer Research Scholars program to support undergraduate research in all disciplines. To
his great credit, President Watts supported this initiative and I’m happy to say, that the Presidential Summer Scholars Program has been thriving.

2. A second enriching aspect of the educational experience here at UAB is the diversity of the student body. There is simply no substitute for having students of diverse economic backgrounds, religion, political persuasion, and ethnicity living and eating together, attending class and studying late into the night together, and being part of open and honest discussions. There is nothing more satisfying than seeing my honors students, with vastly different perspectives, delve deeply into issues and being unafraid to tackle controversial issues in an environment that promotes civil discourse.

The adaptability and willingness of our faculty to adopt new pedagogical methods starting last Spring has been refreshing. Their efforts were well-supported by IT’s great efforts to outfit classrooms with new audio-visual technology, as well as an impressive array of workshops and guidance offered by our Center for Teaching & Learning and the Center for eLearning & Professional Studies.

While such technology can, in the future, facilitate reaching increased numbers of students through online and remote participation, we must be vigilant not to fall victim to the allure of numbers and credit hour production. There is no cheap way to deliver a quality education and there is no substitute for having adequate numbers of faculty scholars and researchers with whom students have an immediate and direct interaction in an academic setting.

**Community Engagement**

Another important part of UAB’s identity is our commitment to our community not just in the realms of economic development and healthcare but also in educational outreach and the arts. I believe this commitment has been genuinely enhanced by having Dr. Watts, a native of Birmingham, a product of West End HS, and a UAB graduate, as our President.

The number of hours of community service in the greater Birmingham area provided by our students and staff is inspiring. The local arts and culture scene is certainly enriched by WBHM, the Abrams-Engels Institute for the Visual Arts, the Alys Stephens Center, home to the Alabama Symphony, and the public performances of our music and theatre departments. Our schools and academic units have well-established outreach educational opportunities, such as the monthly Neuroscience Café at local libraries, I have enjoyed participating every year in UAB’s Lecture Series at Donaldson Correctional facility, a maximum security prison in west Jefferson County.
The COVID pandemic has also highlighted UAB’s contributions at the state and national levels, as Dr. Watts highlighted. For example:

The HealthCheck and the Exposure Notification Apps folded into GuideSafe app were faculty-inspired initiatives.

Richard Whitley, who previously developed Remdesivir here at UAB, has chaired the critical NIH Covid-19 Data Safety and Monitoring board throughout this pandemic.

Our talented media and communications team have enabled our renowned infectious disease experts including Jeanne Marazzo, Mike Saag, Rachael Lee, along with Drs. Sarah Nafziger, Suzanne Judd, Paul Goepfert, Kiersten Kennedy, Mona Fouad and others to serve as wonderful ambassadors in local, state, and national media in effectively communicating about all aspects of the pandemic.

Selwyn Vickers has played an additional crucial role in addressing the differential effects of COVID on minority communities and communicating the safety and efficacy of the available vaccines for all ethnic groups.

This year, the UA system as a whole benefitted from the sharing of expertise of Dean Vickers in medicine, Dean Erwin in Public Health, Dean Butler in Health Professions, and their talented faculty, who played vital roles in developing – in partnership with the UA System -- mitigation strategies to allow our campuses to implement a very successful fall semester both in the classroom and in sports. I’m sure there are other productive ways in which the constituent campuses can share resources to the benefit of all. The response to, and ownership of, these measures by our UAB students made me very proud to be a member of the UAB faculty.

Shared Governance
I would be remiss if I didn’t include the topic of shared governance in my remarks.

In my various roles within the Senate I have witnessed a very healthy interaction between the Senate and the administration. We have had some glitches along the way, most notably the controversy over the suspension of football a few years ago. But the critical thing to appreciate is that UAB came out stronger from that crisis. Not only did the local business community increase their support of our athletics programs but internally there was a renewed commitment to shared governance.
The resulting enhanced sense of community and common destiny played an important in successfully meeting the tremendous challenges of the current pandemic.

An example of shared governance here at UAB is a new award I instituted for the Best Administrator Award for Shared Governance which the Senate bestowed on VP for Finance & Administration, Allen Bolton at our January meeting. Allen has had a long-standing commitment to openness, integrity, and shared governance. He was always available to respond to our queries, sought our feedback, and communicated effectively regarding all matters under his purview.

Sharing information and seeking genuine input and feedback, even from those with contrary opinions, are fail-safe strategies of progressive leadership. I have been impressed with the robust discussions and data-driven nature of decisions that are made in our regular leadership calls, in which I participate. The UAB leadership hosted many university-wide town halls for employees and students throughout the year and the in-built Q&A served to reduce uncertainty and anxiety in our UAB community.

So UAB’s culture of shared governance has a solid foundation and is blossoming. Like any delicate flower, it needs continuous care and nourishment and I have no doubt that we will continue on our current productive pathway.

**Conclusion**

On behalf of the UAB faculty I want to thank you for your vital support for all pillars of mission, for the expansion and improvement of our physical facilities, and for the recruitment of the best administrative leaders, faculty and students

With your ongoing support and investment, UAB will continue to be a place where change makers are welcome and the future is forged.

Thank you.
Tyler Huang  
UAB Student Representative 2020-2021  
February 5, 2021

To Chancellor St. John, members of the Board, University presidents, distinguished guests, and friends, welcome to the University of Alabama at Birmingham’s virtual Institutional meeting of the Board of Trustees. I have the distinct honor and privilege of serving this unique and dynamic institution as President of the Undergraduate Student Government Association. I could not be more excited to share my love for UAB with you all today.

As Dr. Watts discussed, 2020 was a year like no other fueled by adaptation, resilience, and hope. The higher education model was reinvented as our nation responded to the COVID-19 pandemic. With every adaptation required of our campus, the student body and faculty/administration at UAB remained ever faithful and ever loyal as we took the necessary steps to ensure our safe return to campus. As we passed our 50-year anniversary, we set new goals, outlined the future we hoped to forge, and continued to complement the values conveyed in our University Creed, the Blazer Way.

From my first interactions on this vibrant urban campus as a freshman back in 2017, I felt the strong sense of ambition that UAB students embodied. My unique peers all committed to a home away from home, where we continue to create solutions for complex challenges facing our world. The Blazer Way opens with the values of honor and integrity. By engaging with shared communities within metropolitan Birmingham, Blazers learn to partner with diverse individuals and better appreciate their different backgrounds, inside and outside the classroom.

Over the summer, along with several other compassionate student leaders on our campus, I took charge over a health promotion campaign that surveyed over 600 student respondents to better understand their attitudes surrounding health promoting messages and their effectiveness in our re-entry protocol. Using information collected from this survey, the SHOW Campaign was launched this past fall.

SHOW stands for Staying six feet apart, Hand washing, Owning responsibility and Wearing a mask.

This campaign highlights the importance of adopting individualized strategies and safety protocols to prevent the spread of COVID-19 within our campus community. As Blazers, we unite toward a common cause and continue to SHOW our Blazer Spirit across campus by promoting good public health behaviors. This message is what we stand behind and we want to make sure that it is conveyed loud and clear across our campus.
Returning to Birmingham this past fall, our students were able to engage in efforts to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, through our partnership with the Ryals School of Public Health and the Alabama Department of Public Health. UAB Blazers were given the opportunity to serve as a first touchpoint for many Alabamians statewide in our fight against the pandemic, by way of a robust contact tracing program.

Unique efforts like these and other community health outreach programs are a big reason why UAB recently became the first university in the U.S. to join The International Health Promoting Campuses Network. As Dr. Watts put it, "UAB has always been a university that is focused on improving health and well-being", and this year particularly UAB students have demonstrated with great honor their ability to persevere and curb the effects of this pandemic.

**Diversity** is the second component of the Blazer Way. Since the inception of our University in 1969, UAB has promoted inclusivity and championed diversity all across our campus and community, and that continues today. This year, for example, our School of Public Health was nationally recognized with the 2020 Health Professions Higher Education Excellence in Diversity Award. Furthermore, in response to the heinous acts of violence that resurfaced across our nation this summer, the USGA joined in solidarity with our students of color to fight for racial justice across our country. Our open response to the student body allowed us to create a meaningful dialogue with our Black Student Caucus at UAB to continue promoting conversations to ensure a safe environment for all students on our campus. As a university in central Alabama, we are all too familiar with the horrific incidents that define our state's deep cultural history. We not only recognize the racial inequalities that have occurred in the past but also unite against such hatred today. It was this administration's utmost priority to utilize our voices -- for if we remained complacent, we would perpetuate the unjust systems that continue to take innocent Black lives. While sustained momentum is needed to further advance the work that needs to be done, I wish to extend my gratitude to the professional staff within the Offices' of Student Affairs and Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion here at UAB for demonstrating their willingness to empower student advocacy.

Even amid all the challenges of the past year, UAB students took it upon themselves to create new innovations and excel—both inside the classroom with new undergraduates' majors (as Dr. Watts mentioned) in Cancer Biology and Entrepreneurship, and outside the classroom through various modes of engagement. This speaks to the third and fourth pillars of the Blazer Way, **Innovation and Scholarship.** With the turn of the 21st century, UAB ensured that it would continue to foster academic growth, as students continue to earn recognition for many prestigious awards. In 2020 alone, largely through virtual interviews and applications, UAB had its first Schwarzman Scholar, a record of 7 Gilman Scholars, 14 Fulbright recipients, a Truman Scholar, Udall and Beinecke Scholars, and a Rhodes finalist, whom I had the pleasure of getting to know through the application process. As impressive as these accolades are, it is nothing short of what you should expect to find in this academic-oriented student body.

Our University is constantly ensuring that we have adequate support to pursue endeavors like these. Through their continual investment, we were able to bring many exciting innovations to our campus this year. One that I would like to highlight now is B-Well our newly launched
mental health app. Back when the pandemic first hit, no one could have predicted the toll it would take on our health, both mental and physical, not to mention the added stress from the competing forces in our society that we had to endure this year. Working alongside my team, and various other student leaders and professional staff members, we wanted the MOST accessible, efficient way of promoting the resources that UAB is constantly adding to support student wellness, specifically through a user-friendly mobile app cohesive to ALL things promoting wellness at UAB.

Increasing academic accessibility continues to be a shared value that the student government association is passionate about. Last January marked the initial installation of our Textbook Scholarship Program, which proved a great success among our student body. A year later, our student government has continued to allocate funds toward this grant, increasing it to now support $25,000 to help bridge the gap behind an equitable educational platform for the students at UAB.

This ties into the last pillar of the Blazer Way, which is service. I never imagined that I would be able to serve in a leadership position that was so impactful on my undergraduate experience as I have these past 11 months. Serving as student body president enabled me to better understand the needs of my constituents during a time of crisis around the world. Because of this position, and the host of mentors I have had during my undergraduate career, service holds a unique place in my heart.

As a result of actively listening to the needs of my peers, The SGA COVID-19 Emergency Grant was launched last spring as part of a multidivisional collaboration between the Division of Student Affairs and many other individuals and generous donors. By spearheading this initiative, my team was able to contribute $30,000 to kickstart this grant. Throughout the remainder of the Spring term, and into the summer and fall, this grant was expanded to aid over 1,000 students, providing over $250,000 to support students in financial need. Much like this University had supported me when I needed guidance and direction, I am humbled that I can now serve in a position that can impact a broad population of UAB Blazers.

This theme of service extends far into the UAB community and guides us all as Blazers in our personal and professional growth. Today, I’d like to personally extend my gratitude to Trustee Emeritus John J. McMahon Jr. as I recently learned about his legacy at UAB. Through his contributions and many others, the long-lasting impact of service will forever be ingrained at our institution.

UAB opened the door of possibility for me as the first traditional college applicant in my family. After spending endless hours at the core of this campus, I am so proud to call this University my home. I can confidently express that the knowledge UAB has supplied me with revolutionized my world just as it has done for generations of other individuals from a diverse range of backgrounds and perspectives. The unity that I found in this community is one of the priceless gifts I have received in my lifetime. Being a Blazer and partnering with Birmingham is empowering, but we could not be where we are without the immense support and guidance from the University of Alabama System and Board of Trustees. I have high hopes for the future of
Alabama and, through shared opportunities like these and other student and professional engagement, we will continue to surpass any goals that we set for ourselves.

We are a UAB community, I am a Blazer, and this is the Blazer Way. Thank you all so much for your support and partnership. Go Blazers!