

**Resolution No. 25-21**  
**To Honor and Pay Tribute to President Cheryl F. Green**

**WHEREAS,** The Board of Trustees of Governors State University (the “Board” and “University,” respectively) was created on January 1, 1996, by Public Act 89-4 to operate, manage, control, and maintain Governors State University in accordance with the rights, powers, and duties vested by law in the Board;

**WHEREAS,** The Board is empowered to operate, manage, control, and maintain the University and prescribe the courses of study to be followed pursuant to Sections 15-10 and 15-45 of the Illinois Governors State University Law, 110 ILCS 670/15-1 *et seq.*;

**WHEREAS,** Pursuant to the Board of Trustees of Governors State University Bylaws, Article I, Section 4, the Board is empowered to select and engage a chief executive officer to lead the University;

**WHEREAS,** After a comprehensive nationwide search, the Board selected and appointed Cheryl F. Green, PhD, who brought over 30 years of experience in higher education, to serve as the University’s sixth President and Chief Executive Officer effective July 1, 2020 for a three-year term and extended that term for an additional three years effective July 1, 2023;

**WHEREAS,** among her varied achievements as President and Chief Executive Officer,

President Green oversaw the development and construction of the University's Social Justice Initiative program and building, the establishment of the Honors College and the College of Graduate Studies, the installation of the University's first Chief Diversity Officer and Compliance Officer, the establishment of the Latinx Resource Center, the cultivation and receipt of historic gifts by the University, the official designation and recognition of the University as both an Emerging Hispanic Serving Institution and a Predominately Black Institution, and the education and enrichment of over 4,000 students annually;

**WHEREAS**, President Green has been nationally and regionally recognized for her leadership in higher education, winning renown for the University on a national stage;

**WHEREAS**, President Green tirelessly has served the University with excellence and distinction throughout her tenure as President and Chief Executive Officer; and

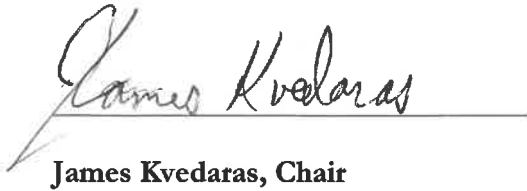
**WHEREAS**, President Green will retire effective February 28, 2025.

Now, therefore, be it:

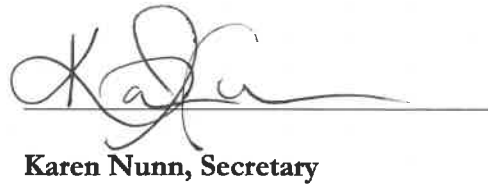
*Resolved* that Board of Trustees of Governors State University does hereby recognize, honor and pay tribute to the contributions of President Green as the sixth President and Chief Executive Officer of Governors State University.

*Resolved* that that Board of Trustees of Governors State University does hereby thank President Green for her commitment, dedication, and service to Governors State University, to the field of higher education, and to the thousands of students she has impacted throughout her career.

Approved this 24<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025



James Kvedaras, Chair



Karen Nunn, Secretary