



**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF
THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA
AFFIRMING TEMPORARY EXCLUSION FROM ACCESS TO CLASSIFIED INFORMATION**

WHEREAS, the Department of Defense requires North Carolina State University to maintain a Facility Security Clearance in the performance of classified contracts. In connection with this Facility Clearance, the chancellor is considered the Senior Management Official (SMO) and must obtain an individual security clearance; and

WHEREAS, this resolution serves to formally document the temporary exclusion of NC State University's Chancellor-elect Kevin D. Howell as the SMO for NC State University. This action is being taken in accordance with 32 CFR Part 117, National Industrial Security Program Operating Manual (NISPOM), due solely to Chancellor-elect Kevin D. Howell not having yet been granted a Top Secret security clearance as required for the SMO to support NC State University's Facility Clearance; and

WHEREAS, this resolution serves to formally document the temporary appointment of Dr. Alyson G. Wilson, NC State University Interim Vice Chancellor for Research and Innovation, as the SMO for NC State University. This action is being taken in accordance with 32 CFR Part 117, NISPOM. NISPOM requires an SMO with a security clearance commensurate with NC State University's Facility Clearance. Dr. Wilson has such clearances and will assume temporary SMO duties in accordance with 32 CFR Part 117 until such time as Chancellor-elect Kevin D. Howell has gained the requisite personal security clearance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that during the temporary exclusion, and pending a final determination of eligibility for access to classified information by the U.S. Government, NC State University's Chancellor-elect Kevin D. Howell, will not require, will not have, and can be effectively and formally excluded from access to all classified information disclosed to NC State University. Chancellor-elect Howell shall not have access to classified information, secure classified storage areas, nor meetings and discussions involving classified information in support of NC State University's Facility Clearance during this temporary exclusion, in accordance with 32 CFR Part 117.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED Dr. Wilson's tenure as SMO and Chancellor-elect Howell's temporary exclusion as the SMO will begin when Dr. W. Randolph Woodson steps down as chancellor of NC State University and will cease upon the date Chancellor-elect Kevin D. Howell is awarded his security clearance and has acknowledged the same on the SF 312, Classified Information Nondisclosure Agreement.

The foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Governors at a regular meeting of the Board on the 10th day of April 2025.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA)
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COUNTY OF WAKE)

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SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE
OF AUTHORIZATION

I, Meredith R. McCullen, associate vice president and secretary of the University of North Carolina, *DO HEREBY CERTIFY* that (1) the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the approving resolution adopted by the Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina at its regular meeting on April 10, 2025, and appearing in the minutes of such meeting; (2) notice of the meeting of the Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina held on April 10, 2025, was sent to each member of the Board; and (3) a quorum was present at the meeting on April 10, 2025, at which time the foregoing resolution was adopted.

WITNESS, my hand and the seal of the University of North Carolina this 10th day of April 2025.

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Meredith R. McCullen
Associate Vice President and Secretary
The University of North Carolina