



RESOLUTION HONORING

O. Temple Sloan, III

THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA SYSTEM

**WHEREAS, O. Temple Sloan, III** has been a valued member of the Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina and served with exceptional commitment since 2015; and

**WHEREAS,** Mr. Sloan has served with distinction on five of the Board’s standing committees: the Committee on Personnel and Tenure in 2015-17, serving as its secretary in 2016-17; the Committee on Public Affairs in 2015-18, 2020-21, serving as its vice chair in 2017-18; the Committee on Budget and Finance in 2017-2020, serving as its chair; the Committee on Educational Planning, Policies, and Programs in 2020-23, serving as its chair; the Committee on Military and Public Affairs in 2021-22, serving as its secretary; the Committee on University Personnel in 2023-25, serving as its vice chair; and

**WHEREAS,** Mr. Sloan provided effective leadership to several special and subcommittees of the Board, including the Committee on Strategic Initiatives in 2016-18; the Committee on Healthcare in 2018-19, serving as its chair; the Committee on Historically Minority-Serving Institutions in 2019-20; the Subcommittee on Laboratory Schools in 2022-24, serving as its vice chair in 2023-24; the Subcommittee of the Oliver Max Gardner Award; and Subcommittee of the Governor James E. Holshouser, Jr. Award for Excellence in Public Service; and

**WHEREAS,** this respected citizen and business leader has brought his decades of experience and business acumen to address issues while serving. Mr. Sloan has been a strong advocate for fiscal discipline while working tirelessly to keep the cost of tuition and fees low, allowing for greater access to the University; and

**WHEREAS,** Mr. Sloan provided steadfast leadership during a pivotal time for higher education, as institutions navigated the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS,** he has consistently demonstrated his passion for making decisions that support a student-focused environment and has always taken a straightforward approach to issues before the Board and through numerous policy discussions and recommendations; and

**WHEREAS,** under his guidance, the Board of Governors advanced policies that strengthened academic excellence, expanded educational opportunities, and upheld the mission of the University of North Carolina System, including approving a policy change guaranteeing graduates of the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics admission to all UNC System institutions, helping to keep some of our most talented students in North Carolina; and

**WHEREAS,** Mr. Sloan worked to ensure a coordinated system of higher education by conducting comprehensive reviews of institutional peers and mission statements for the first time in nearly a decade, fostering greater alignment and strategic planning across the UNC System; and

**WHEREAS,** he has been a calm leader, a great listener, and a wise presence who valued constructive dialogue and collaborative problem solving; and

**WHEREAS,** Mr. Sloan has carried out his duties as a member of the Board of Governors with dignity and resolve, providing valued leadership, friendship, and counsel throughout his service; and

**WHEREAS,** his service on the Board concludes on April 11, 2025, the Board of Governors is deeply grateful to O. Temple Sloan, III for the time he invested and the valuable contributions he has made.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina extends its deepest appreciation and gratitude to **O. Temple Sloan, III** for his dedicated, sound leadership and loyal service to the University of North Carolina and the State of North Carolina.

This the 10<sup>th</sup> day of April 2025.

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Wendy F. Murphy  
Chair, UNC Board of Governors

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Pearl Burris-Floyd  
Secretary, UNC Board of Governors