



**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS
THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA
IN SUPPORT OF THE myFutureNC ATTAINMENT GOAL**

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina is one of five states in the country without a statewide goal for postsecondary attainment; and

WHEREAS, the myFutureNC Commission, a statewide group of business, education, and government leaders, recently studied North Carolina's evolving workforce needs and the alignment between future demands and trends in educational attainment; and

WHEREAS, based on that study, the myFutureNC Commission developed an educational attainment goal that will ensure North Carolina remains economically competitive now and in the future; and

WHEREAS, to make progress towards that goal, the North Carolina higher education community must improve student outcomes, reduce the time to graduation, and create opportunities that meet the needs of today's students; and

WHEREAS, increasing on-time graduation rates at institutions of higher education and expanding access to high-quality workforce training places more graduates into the workforce more quickly, reduces student debt, and increases the supply of skilled workers in North Carolina, making the State a more attractive place to start, expand, or relocate a business; and

WHEREAS, postsecondary education includes everything from four-year and advanced degrees to workforce certifications and industry credentials, ensuring that citizens, regardless of age, can access opportunities that fit their goals and needs; and

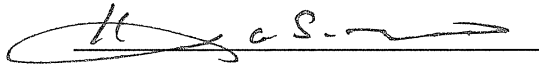
WHEREAS, the University of North Carolina Board of Governors approved "Higher Expectations: The Strategic Plan for the University of North Carolina, 2017-2022" in January 2017; and

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WHEREAS, the statewide educational attainment goal of myFutureNC aligns with the Strategic Plan goals in the areas of *Access, Student Success, and Economic Impact and Community Engagement*;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Governors adopts the attainment goal of the myFutureNC Commission -- that two million North Carolinians between the ages of 25 and 44 should have a high-quality postsecondary degree or credential by the year 2030.

This the 22nd day of May 2019



Harry L. Smith, Jr. *Chair*



Pearl Burris-Floyd, *Secretary*