



**RESOLUTION OF
THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF
THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA
May 20, 2020**

WHEREAS, the spread of COVID-19 has caused a global pandemic creating unprecedented challenges for institutions of higher education and the students they serve, including the University of North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the University of North Carolina and its constituent institutions remain dedicated to the service of North Carolina and its people and to the fulfillment of the University's mission to discovery, create, and transmit knowledge; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and the ensuing public health emergency, and in an attempt to protect the safety of students, employees, and the public while continuing to serve its students and the State, the UNC System announced that it had decided in consultation with State public health officials to transition from in-person instruction to online instruction wherever possible no later than March 20 for the remainder of the spring 2020 semester; and

WHEREAS, by March 23, less than two weeks from this announcement, all universities in the UNC System had successfully implemented this transition; and


WHEREAS, during this time, many University employees transitioned to remote work, and a number of University employees designated as essential continued to perform critical duties on-site at University facilities in spite of stay-at-home restrictions and the declared public health emergency; and

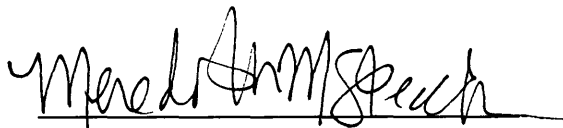
WHEREAS, a variety of University employees associated with health care delivery and clinical operations have demonstrated great commitment and bravery in working on the frontlines of the COVID-19 response; and

WHEREAS, the faculty and staff of the University of North Carolina System facilitated and supported the University's response to the COVID-19 pandemic without hesitation and with great professionalism, ingenuity, and hard work;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Governors commends the faculty and staff of the University of North Carolina System, for their dedication to the University's mission and the many individuals of our State served by our constituent institutions, and thanks them for their untiring work in supporting the University's efforts to surmount the profound and novel challenges created by the spread of COVID-19.

This the 20th day of May 2020.


Randall C. Ramsey, Chair


Secretary