

*RESOLUTION HONORING***STEVEN B. LONG***THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA SYSTEM*

WHEREAS, STEVEN B. LONG has been a valued member of the Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina System and has served with exceptional commitment since 2013; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Long served with distinction on four of the standing committees of the Board of Governors: the Committee on Educational Planning, Policies, and Programs from 2013-15, serving as its vice chair from 2014-15 and from 2018-20, and from 2020-21, serving as its secretary; the Committee on Personnel and Tenure from 2015-17, serving as its vice chair from 2016-17; the Committee on University Governance from 2017-18, serving as its chair; and the Committee on Public Affairs from 2016-17 and from 2019-20; and

WHEREAS, he has served on numerous special committees and subcommittees of the Board of Governors, providing effective leadership to the Committee on Historically Minority-Serving Institutions, serving as its vice chair from 2018-19; the Committee on Strategic Planning; the Committee on Teacher Quality; the Subcommittee for the Oliver Max Gardner Award; and the Subcommittee for the Governor James E. Holshouser Jr., Award for Excellence in Public Service; and

WHEREAS, during his eight years as a member of the Board, Mr. Long advanced policies consistent with his personal commitment to support and promote successful student outcomes, particularly in his work helping to design the Higher Education Expectations Strategic Plan. He tirelessly advocated for policies and programs that ensured student preparation, high-quality teaching, and academic rigor; and

WHEREAS, at a time when our smallest university, Elizabeth City State University (ECSU), was experiencing financial and enrollment challenges, Mr. Long served admirably on the first ECSU Task Force and then on the chancellor search committee; and

WHEREAS, his work helped pave the way for the now-thriving university and his dedication to ECSU has left a lasting impact on its students, faculty, staff, and community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Long served as a model for effective board membership by his respectful, deliberate, and prepared work in service to the university and the state; and

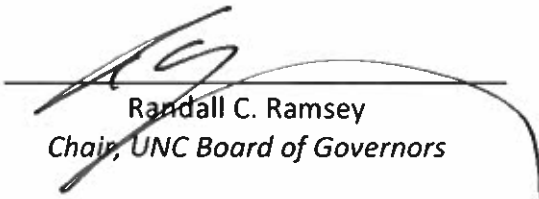
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WHEREAS, his outstanding service on the Board of Governors will conclude on June 30, 2021;
and


WHEREAS, the Board of Governors gratefully acknowledges the vigorous advocacy and heartfelt concerns that Mr. Long has demonstrated on behalf of higher education and commends him for his outstanding service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina extends its deepest appreciation and gratitude to **Steven B. Long** for the dedicated, sound leadership he provided this Board and for his steadfast devotion to the University of North Carolina and to the State of North Carolina.

This the 27th day of May 2021.



Randall C. Ramsey
Chair, UNC Board of Governors



Pearl Burris-Floyd
Secretary, UNC Board of Governors