



RESOLUTION HONORING

DR. LAURA C. BILBRO-BERRY

THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA SYSTEM

WHEREAS, Laura C. Bilbro-Berry has served as an invaluable and dedicated member of the University of North Carolina System Office for four years and East Carolina University for 12 years; and

WHEREAS, she has been in service to the state of North Carolina for a total of 30 years; and

WHEREAS, she is an honors graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill where she was a North Carolina Teaching Fellow; and

WHEREAS, during her career she earned numerous awards, including North Carolina Teacher of the Year in 2000 as an elementary educator in Beaufort County Schools; and

WHEREAS, she has twice been the recipient of the Order of the Long Leaf Pine, the highest civilian honor in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, during her tenure at the System Office, she has been instrumental in the implementation of several key educator preparation initiatives, including the UNC System Literacy Framework, Literacy Innovation Leaders Initiative, and the UNC System Laboratory Schools program; and

WHEREAS, she has earned the respect and trust of leadership and staff across the UNC System and has represented the University with integrity and unwavering commitment; and

WHEREAS, that integrity and unwavering commitment was recognized in 2022 when President Hans awarded her the President's Award for Excellence; and

WHEREAS, she has treated her colleagues like family, going above and beyond to show her support to them as individuals; and


WHEREAS, she has devoted the full measure of her career to ensuring the long-term success of North Carolina's students; and


WHEREAS, she will conclude her service as executive director of educator preparation and lab schools in January 2023;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina extends its deepest gratitude and appreciation to Laura Bilbro-Berry for her outstanding service and unwavering dedication to the mission of the University and wishes her much success as she embarks on an exciting new chapter in her distinguished career.

This the 19TH of January 2023



Randall C. Ramsey
Chair, UNC Board of Governors

Pearl Burris-Floyd
Secretary, UNC Board of Governors