



RESOLUTION HONORING

THOMAS C. GOOLSBY

THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA SYSTEM

WHEREAS, THOMAS C. GOOLSBY has been a valued member of the Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina and has served with exceptional commitment since 2015; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Goolsby served with distinction on five of the Board’s standing committees: the Committee on Personnel and Tenure in 2015-16 and 2018-19; the Committee on Educational Planning, Policies, and Programs in 2016-18 and 2020-23; the Committee on Public Affairs in 2016-17; the Committee on Audit, Risk Management, and Compliance in 2016-17 and 2018-19, serving as its secretary in 2018-19; the Committee on University Governance in 2019-20, serving as its secretary; and

WHEREAS, he has served on numerous special and subcommittees of the Board of Governors, providing effective leadership: the Committee on Military Affairs in 2015-16; the Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs in 2018-2021, serving as its vice chair; the Subcommittee on Laboratory Schools in 2022-23, serving as its vice chair; the Oliver Max Gardner Award Subcommittee; and the Governor James E. Holshouser, Jr. Award for Excellence in Public Service Subcommittee; and

WHEREAS, during his eight years as a member of the Board, Mr. Goolsby advanced policies consistent with his personal commitment to support and promote successful student outcomes; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Goolsby is an ardent advocate for academic excellence and inquiry, in which intellectual debate is conducted with a consistent voice of civility so that all points of view and perspectives are heard and respected; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Goolsby’s passionate yet measured and thoughtfully articulated opinions have guided the Board and the University through numerous issues of vital importance to its future, preserving and promoting each constituent institution’s unique mission within the UNC System; and

WHEREAS, he has freely given his time and talents to strengthen the UNC System and further its progress toward reaching its institutional goals focused on access, student success, affordability and efficiency, economic impact and community engagement, and excellent and diverse institutions; and

WHEREAS, his outstanding service on the Board of Governors will conclude on June 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Governors gratefully acknowledges the vigorous advocacy and heartfelt concerns that Mr. Goolsby 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 **Thomas C. Goolsby** for his 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 25th day of May 2023.

Randall C. Ramsey
Chair, UNC Board of Governors

Pearl Burris-Floyd
Secretary, UNC Board of Governors