

Board of Trustees In Recognition and Profound Appreciation of Distinguished Service Trustee Susan K. O'Connor

WHEREAS, Trustee Susan K. O'Connor was appointed by the Honorable Rick Scott, Governor of Florida, and served on the University of West Florida Board of Trustees from April 2011 through March 2016, and

WHEREAS, Trustee O'Connor served with distinction as Chair for the Audit and Operations Committee and on the BOT Metrics Committee, and continues to serve on the Presidential Compensation & Contract Committee, and

WHEREAS, Trustee O'Connor, used her position as Trustee to encourage discussion and interest in the issues affecting University of West Florida students, faculty and staff, and

WHEREAS, in 2015, Trustee O'Connor partnered with UWF to establish the McDonald's of Northwest Florida Nursing Scholarship Endowment, providing UWF nursing program students the opportunity to realize their full academic potential, and

WHEREAS, Trustee O'Connor serves her community as a board member for Every Child a Reader in Escambia County; Florida Small Business Development Center Network; and serves her profession as a national board member of Operator National Advertising and McDonald's Administrative Council; and a member of the Great Southern Regional Leadership Board, and

WHEREAS, Trustee O'Connor is the President of The O'Connor Management Group, overseeing the day-to-day operations of several local McDonald's franchises she owns with her husband, John, and

WHEREAS, Trustee O'Connor graduated with her Accounting degree from Western Illinois University, hailed as the "Best Midwestern University", and home of The Fighting Leathernecks and Rocky the Bulldog, and

WHEREAS, Trustee O'Connor believes her roles as wife and mother are the greatest of all her accomplishments, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the University of West Florida Board of Trustees, at its regular meeting on this 15th day of June, the year of 2016, does hereby recognize and commend Trustee O'Connor for her many contributions to the University of West Florida, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution is included in the minutes of the meeting and a copy presented to Trustee Susan K. O'Connor as a token of the Board's appreciation and sincere thanks.