



**Board of Trustees**  
**In Recognition and Profound Appreciation of Distinguished Service**  
**Trustee Ruben B. Gardner, Jr.**

**WHEREAS**, Trustee Ruben B. Gardner, Jr. has loyally served on the University of West Florida Board of Trustees since October 2022 and has served with distinction on the Board of Trustees Student Affairs Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, Trustee Gardner provided exemplary leadership to the University of West Florida Student Government Association, serving as Student Body President October 2022-April, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, Trustee Gardner's passion is getting involved and during his time at UWF, that passion turned into action. Trustee Gardner served in numerous student leadership roles, including, Senator of the Usha Kundu, M.D. College of Health, Chair of the Budget and Allocations Committee; Orientation Leader for the Office of Undergraduate Admissions; Student Ambassador for the Office of Alumni Relations; and as an AnchorDown Mentor for UWF's Office of First-Year Experience.

**WHEREAS**, Trustee Gardner, a recent UWF graduate earning his bachelor's degree in Psychology, has been quoted as saying, "UWF is the best decision I ever made because of the family atmosphere and the infinite opportunities it has given me to make a valuable impact."; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees for the University of West Florida, on this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June 2022, does hereby recognize Trustee Ruben B. Gardner, Jr. for his many contributions to the university, and a copy of this resolution serves as a token of the board's sincerest thanks; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, this resolution will be included in the minutes of the June 16, 2022 Board of Trustees meeting.

**Suzanne Lewis**  
**Board of Trustees Chair**

**Martha D. Saunders**  
**President**