

Resolution: 21-22 RS I: Commemoration for Dr. LeDuff

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To read as follows:

WHEREAS, Dr. Kim M. LeDuff joined the University of West Florida as the Chief Diversity Officer & Associate Vice Provost for Equity, Diversity, and International Affairs, starting her eight-year UWF legacy; and

WHEREAS, Dr. LeDuff faithfully and with honor served as Vice President of the Division of Academic Engagement and Student Affairs while maintaining a high level of involvement with students across campus organizations, changing the campus culture and student experience, and

WHEREAS, Dr. LeDuff has shown superior leadership in her role, exemplifying to the University of West Florida Student Body how to listen to students and to be a truly transformational leader; and

WHEREAS, Dr. LeDuff worked continuously to coordinate diversity and inclusion efforts university-wide including the creation of the Cross-Cultural Competency Program for Faculty and Staff; and

WHEREAS, Dr. LeDuff played a major role in UWF becoming a six-time recipient of the Higher Education Excellence in Diversity (HEED) Award, and

WHEREAS, Dr. LeDuff has positively impacted hundreds of students by supporting programs and by being an avid member of the community, including her participation in the National Association of Diversity Officers in Higher Education (NADOHE), the Pensacola African American Heritage Society Board of Directors, and the Escambia County Schools Foundation Board, and

WHEREAS, the impact Dr. LeDuff has made on each one of our students makes our college years about much more than academics, instilling a sense of Argo Pride in all of us which has been a huge factor in many of our students' decisions to remain at this institution; and WHEREAS, Dr. LeDuff has made our time on campus, as students, extraordinary.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, on this third day of December, at her last regular meeting of the 54th Student Senate, the University of West Florida Student Body hereby commends Dr. Kim LeDuff for her service to the Student Government Association and its Argonaut constituents and is hereby honored for outstanding and dedicated service to the University of West Florida; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be delivered to Dr. LeDuff and to the University of West Florida Board of Trustees.

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