



The Foundation for The Gator Nation

**UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA BOARD OF TRUSTEES
RESOLUTION**

Number: R17-191

Subject: Investment in the University of Florida's Future

Date: June 8, 2017

The University of Florida Board of Trustees ("Board") hereby adopts the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the University of Florida (UF) has Top 10 status in numerous national publications and wishes to recognize its stature among the Top 10 public universities in the nation.

WHEREAS, UF recognizes that in order to achieve the next mark in preeminence, UF needs to hire significant numbers of new faculty and to support existing faculty by compensating at levels on par with our highest-ranked peer institutions and otherwise assisting them in advancing their stature.

WHEREAS, UF recognizes that the best recruiters for new faculty are existing faculty – who are recognized, supported and compensated at Top 10 levels and who work in first-class facilities.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:


1. The Board commends and supports the commitment made today by President Fuchs to boldly pursue the hiring of 500 new faculty and his commitment to raise the compensation for our existing faculty to levels on par with our most highly-ranked peers and to otherwise assist existing faculty and staff in advancing their stature; and

2. The Board, the President and UF leadership will share responsibility for achieving these important goals, recognizing that it takes the work of all to move UF toward Top 5, and that work begins immediately.

Adopted this 8th day of June, 2017, by the University of Florida Board of Trustees.



James W. Heavener, Chair



W. Kent Fuchs, President and Corporate Secretary