

UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA BOARD OF TRUSTEES RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Lynda Hayes has been a trusted leader at the University of Florida's P.K. Yonge Developmental Research School since 1987, serving as Director, and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hayes began her career at P.K. Yonge as a kindergarten teacher. She served in several other positions including first grade teacher, second grade teacher, third grade teacher, middle school reading coach and Director of Research and Outreach. She has been an educator for more than 35 years, earning a bachelor's and master's degree in early childhood education and a Ph.D. in curriculum and instruction, all degrees from the University of Florida, focused on identifying pathways for providing visible models of effective, evidence-based practice for emerging and practicing teachers, and

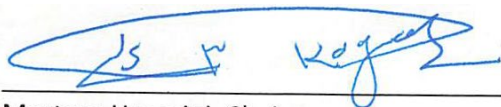
WHEREAS, Dr. Hayes while serving as Director of Research and Outreach, led and developed strategies for engaging others in learning from and with teachers, and P.K. Yonge teachers host more than 300 teachers and administrators annually in their classrooms through Research in Action days and summer workshops, and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hayes has advocated tirelessly and successfully to help secure more than \$55 million in competitively funded state and federal research, development and training grants, and she continues to work closely with University of Florida researchers and the College of Education to submit funding proposals to support K-12 curriculum and program developments in literacy, science, technology and mathematics, and led fundraising, design and construction of the 78,000 square foot secondary building, and

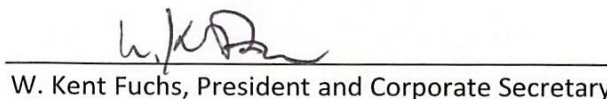
WHEREAS, as a scholar Dr. Hayes was a panel member for the U.S. Department of Education (USDOE) Institute for Education Sciences Practice Guide on beginning reading and served as a principal investigator for two USDOE Early Reading First Projects, and served as the Principal Investigator for a seven year, \$5 million National Science Foundation grant, and with her strategic direction and passion, the P.K. Yonge school has achieved an 'A' grade each school year since 2002 and in recent years has been nationally ranked by U.S. News & World Report.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Florida Board of Trustees at its regular meeting this 22nd day of April 2022, does hereby recognize and commend Director Lynda Hayes for her contributions to P.K. Yonge Development Research School and the University of Florida and Board of Trustees, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be included in the minutes of this meeting, and a copy be presented to Lynda Hayes as a token of the Board's appreciation and admiration.



Morteza Hosseini, Chair



W. Kent Fuchs, President and Corporate Secretary