

BOARD APPROVED June 11, 2021

Janice Indrutz
Corporate Secretary

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR KARL B. BROWNING

WHEREAS, Karl B. Browning served Purdue University from 2019 to 2021, filling the role of interim vice president for information technology for three months and as vice president for information technology for the remainder of his tenure; and

WHEREAS, Karl provided vital leadership to information technology units throughout the entire Purdue system – as chief information officer – and headed Information Technology at Purdue (ITaP), Purdue's central IT organization; and

WHERAS, Karl heroically guided the university's technology through a truly unprecedented time, with the transition to online and hybrid learning, a significant increase in the demand for online services, and the installation of audio and video capture technology in all classrooms; and

WHEREAS, his accomplishments also included consolidating a campus computing cloud and regional information technology, instituting software licensing reviews, institutionalizing key performance indicators and establishing a multi-year equipment lifecycle replacement plan – all while creating a culture of fiscal prudence; and

WHEREAS, Karl brought stability to a key administrative position and did so with professionalism and a quiet competence; and

WHEREAS, prior to coming to Purdue, Karl enjoyed a successful career as a trusted public servant for the state of Indiana – as commissioner of the Department of Transportation from 2006 to 2009 and from 2013 to 2019, executive director of the Hoosier Lottery from 2011 to 2013, and chief information officer of the Office of Technology from 2005 to 2006; and

WHEREAS, for over 20 years in the private sector, Karl delivered for the customers of Electronic Data System and Perot Systems, principally in the insurance industry, and subsequently served as senior vice president and chief information officer of Indianapolis-based Golden Rule Insurance Company; and

WHEREAS, over his career spanning more than 40 years, Karl helped companies transform their business operations, first as a systems engineer and then by leading multi-disciplined teams that reengineered business operations, implemented enabling technologies and transformed core culture; and

WHEREAS, Karl is regarded for having a steady hand and working efficiently, effectively and with integrity;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED BY THE TRUSTEES OF PURDUE UNIVERSITY:

- 1. That the Trustees recognize the positive impact of Karl B. Browning as vice president for information technology; and
- 2. That enormous gratitude and appreciation are expressed to Karl for his loyalty and service to Purdue University; and

- 3. That Karl is to be congratulated and thanked for his tremendous contributions to our University; and
- 4. That his achievements are part of the great, permanent history of Purdue and will never be forgotten; and
- 5. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the Trustees as part of the permanent record of the University.

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Michael R. Berghoff, Chairman

Janice A. Indrutz, Secretary