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## RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR BRIAN E. EDELMAN

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WHEREAS, Brian E. Edelman has been a valued leader of the Purdue Research Foundation as president from 2017 to 2025 after joining the Foundation as chief financial officer and treasurer in 2015 and later being promoted to chief operating officer; and

WHEREAS, Brian is regarded for his tremendous impact on and transformation of PRF — forging the future for innovation, connection, commercialization and placemaking at Purdue University; and

WHEREAS, Brian's guidance enabled the Foundation to excel in its mission of supporting Purdue and its students, faculty and alumni in ever-increasing ways, including through Purdue Aviation, the Back a Boiler program, the Krach Institute for Tech Diplomacy at Purdue, and the Purdue for Life Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Brian was instrumental in leveraging the foundation's partnership with the city of West Lafayette and Purdue to finance, design and construct the State Street Redevelopment Project — a one-of-a-kind transportation gateway between town and gown that has transformed the campus community; and

WHEREAS, Brian cultivated the development and execution of the 450-acre, \$1+ billion Discovery Park District at Purdue — bringing to life a live-work-play community for the university's next generation of students, families and corporate partners; and

WHEREAS, Brian led his team in attracting and deepening relationships with top companies such as Rolls-Royce, Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories, Saab, Inari, imec, Cook Medical, SK hynix, Endocyte and others; and

WHEREAS, Brian oversaw the establishment of a dominant university intellectual property commercialization engine that put Purdue in the top five among the nation's most prolific universities in terms of U.S. patents received for three years running; and

WHEREAS, Brian led the effort to protect and defend the inventions and technologies of Purdue innovators, leading to landmark court wins valued at \$32.5 million in past compensatory damages; and

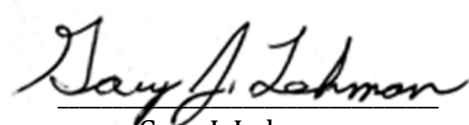
WHEREAS, Brian provided the strategic vision that enabled the university's endowment to maintain steady year-over-year growth through careful stewardship of investments — even in the midst of challenging periods such as the COVID-19 pandemic — thus strengthening the endowment and providing a strong platform for his successor to build upon; and

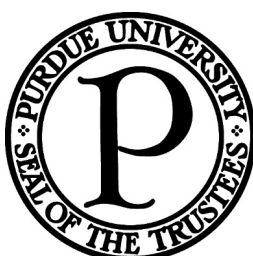
WHEREAS, Brian earned his Master of Science degree in finance from Purdue's then-Krannert School of Management and subsequently embarked on an illustrious business career with Eli Lilly and Company before joining the Purdue ecosystem;

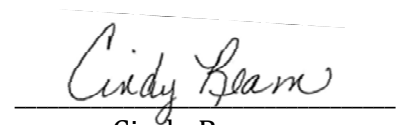
BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED BY THE TRUSTEES OF PURDUE UNIVERSITY:

1. That the Trustees recognize the positive impact of Brian Edelman as president of the Purdue Research Foundation; and
2. That enormous gratitude and appreciation are expressed to Brian for his loyalty and service to Purdue University; and
3. That Brian 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 for all to witness.

FEBRUARY 7, 2025

  
Gary J. Lehman  
Chairman



  
Cindy Ream  
Secretary