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REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF REGENTS THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

July 31-August 1, 2024

<u>CONVENE</u>

Vice Chairman Robert L. Albritton convened a regular meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System at 10:03 a.m., Wednesday, July 31, 2024, in the Memorial Student Center, Bethancourt Ballroom, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas.

The following members of the Board were present:

Mr. Robert L. Albritton, Vice Chairman Mr. David Baggett Mr. John Bellinger Mr. Randy Brooks Mr. Jay Graham Mr. Michael A. Hernandez III Mr. Michael J. Plank Mr. Sam Torn Mr. Cage Sawyers, Student Regent

The following member of the Board was not present:

Mr. Bill Mahomes, Chairman

(Note: Mr. Cage Sawyers of Van Alstyne, Texas, was appointed Student Regent of The Texas A&M University System by Governor Greg Abbott effective June 1, 2024. He replaced Ms. Elizabeth "Annie" Valicek.)

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Vice Chairman Albritton announced that the Board would recess to executive session as permitted by Chapter 551 of the <u>Texas Government Code</u>. He said in accordance with the law, no final action, decision or vote with regard to any matter considered in executive session would be made or taken.

(Note: The Board met in executive session from 10:05 a.m. until 1:58 p.m. on July 31, 2024, and from 8:03 a.m. until 1:26 p.m., from 2:25 p.m. until 2:35 p.m., and from 4:15 p.m. until 4:25 p.m. on August 1, 2024.)

(Note: The Committee meetings were held Thursday, July 31, 2024. The Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant met from 2:05 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., the Committee on Academic and Business Affairs met from 3:00 p.m. to 3:54 p.m., the Committee on Finance met from 3:55 p.m. to 4:04 p.m. and the Committee on Audit met from 4:05 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.)

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION AND INVOCATION

Vice Chairman Albritton reconvened the meeting at 1:37 p.m., Thursday, August 1, 2024, in the Memorial Student Center, Bethancourt Ballroom, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas.

Cole Murphy provided the invocation. Vice Chairman Albritton said that Mr. Murphy graduated magna cum laude in May 2024, from the College of Engineering at Texas A&M University with a bachelor's in science and industrial distribution and a minor in engineering project management and in business. He added that Mr. Murphy is now working towards his advanced degree from the Bush School.

VICE CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Vice Chairman Albritton welcomed everyone to the meeting. He thanked the presidents and CEOs who have met with Deloitte Consulting, the firm that is helping with the System's comprehensive organizational review. He welcomed Student Regent, Cage Sawyers.

He noted Chancellor John Sharp's future retirement and thanked him for everything he has done for the System and said that he has been one of the most visionary chancellors that anyone could ask for.

Vice Chairman Albritton said that there is no item on the agenda for the name change of Texas A&M University-Commerce. He noted for the record that the Board had received approximately 50 emails concerning this subject.

CHANCELLOR'S REMARKS

Chancellor Sharp provided highlights of the accomplishments of the A&M System.

REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Regent Graham, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, said the committee met the previous day and approved three agenda items: Items 1.1 and 1.2 regarding the adoption of our Revenue Financing System (RFS) and Permanent University Fund (PUF) debt authorization for the upcoming year and Item 1.3 related to the consolidation of two current fees into one. He noted that this consolidation would result in no additional cost to the students, and any subsequent increases to the university services fee would require Board approval. Regent Graham said the committee recommended these items to the full Board for approval.

On motion of Regent Plank seconded by Regent Brooks, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute orders were approved (151-153).

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### **MINUTE ORDER 151-2024 (ITEM 1.1)**

## ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM REVENUE FINANCING SYSTEM BONDS, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

The resolution authorizing the issuance of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System Revenue Financing System Bonds, substantially in the form of the attached exhibit, is adopted. The Chief Investment Officer and Treasurer, or other designated financial officer, is hereby authorized to take such actions as are necessary to accomplish the purposes of the resolution, including those relating to the issuance, sale, security and delivery of the bonds, all in accordance with the provisions of the resolution.

### **MINUTE ORDER 152-2024 (ITEM 1.2)**

## ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM PERMANENT UNIVERSITY FUND BONDS, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

The resolution authorizing the issuance of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System Permanent University Fund Bonds, substantially in the form of the attached exhibit, is adopted. The Chief Investment Officer and Treasurer, or other designated financial officer, is hereby authorized to take such actions as are necessary to accomplish the purposes of the resolution, including those relating to the issuance, sale, security, and delivery of the bonds, all in accordance with the provisions of the resolution.

## **MINUTE ORDER 153-2024 (ITEM 1.3)**

## APPROVAL OF PROPOSED FEE CONSOLIDATION EFFECTIVE WITH THE FALL 2024 SEMESTER FOR TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE, AND TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

The proposed fee consolidation for Texas A&M International University, Texas A&M University-Kingsville, and Texas A&M University-Commerce, as shown on the attached exhibit, is approved to be effective with the fall 2024 semester.

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REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON AUDIT

Regent Hernandez, Chairman of the Committee on Audit, said the committee had met the previous day and received several reports from Amanda Dotson, Director of Internal Audit, and Charlie Hrncir, Chief Auditor, including the proposed 2025 audit plan, external quality assurance review, monthly audit report, audit tracking report, and an update on the diversity, equity, and inclusion audit. He said Internal Audit received a fully compliant assessment from its external quality assurance review and has released nine audits and cleared eight recommendations since the May meeting. Regent Hernandez said that the proposed 2025 audit plan includes 30 audits emphasizing financial controls, IT related audits, health and safety, and compliance. He said the committee approved Item 2.1 and recommends approval to the full Board.

On motion of Regent Plank, seconded by Regent Brooks, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was approved (154).

MINUTE ORDER 154-2024 (ITEM 2.1)

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## APPROVAL OF SYSTEM INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby approves the System Internal Audit Plan for Fiscal Year 2025, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes.

### **REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON BUILDINGS AND PHYSICAL PLANT**

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Regent Brooks, Chairman of the Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant, said that the committee had met the previous day. He reported that the System's Office of Facilities Planning and Construction was currently managing 82 projects worth over \$5.1 billion. He briefly described Items 3.1 through 3.8 and said that all items had received committee approval and recommended these items to the full Board for approval.

On motion of Regent Graham, seconded by Regent Hernandez, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute orders were approved (155-162).

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### **MINUTE ORDER 155-2024 (ITEM 3.1)**

## APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT SCOPE AND BUDGET, APPROPRIATION FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, AND APPROVAL FOR CONSTRUCTION FOR THE PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY PROJECT, WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY, CANYON, TEXAS (PROJECT NO. 18-3369), THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

The project scope along with a project budget of \$9,975,000 for the Public Safety Facility Project is approved.

The amount of \$1,975,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-083540 Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds (Unallocated Interest Income), and \$7,002,500 is appropriated from Account No. 18-871424 Public Safety Facility, for construction services and related project costs.

The Public Safety Facility Project, West Texas A&M University, Canyon, Texas, is approved for construction.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

As required by Section 5(a) of the Master Resolution of the Revenue Financing System, the Board hereby determines that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System and that the Participants, on whose behalf the debt is issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

#### **MINUTE ORDER 156-2024 (ITEM 3.2)**

## APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT SCOPE AND BUDGET, APPROPRIATION FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, AND APPROVAL FOR CONSTRUCTION FOR THE SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY MAIN BUILDING RENOVATIONS PROJECT, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER, DALLAS, TEXAS (PROJECT NO. 23-3400), THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

The project scope along with a project budget of \$22,400,000 for the School of Dentistry Main Building Renovations Project is approved.

The amount of \$5,650,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-084243 Permanent University Fund Debt Proceeds, (AUF), the amount of \$10,240,421 is appropriated from Account No. 23-211150 Designated Tuition-SOD Finance, the amount of \$3,200,000 is appropriated from Account No. 23-205091 SOD DSRIP Incentive Payments, and the amount of \$1,069,579 is appropriated from Account No. 23-530106 Set Aside Dental Clinic, for construction services and related project costs.

The School of Dentistry Main Building Renovations Project, Texas A&M University Health Science Center, Dallas, Texas, is approved for construction.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

### **MINUTE ORDER 157-2024 (ITEM 3.3)**

## APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT SCOPE AND BUDGET, APPROPRIATION FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, AND APPROVAL FOR CONSTRUCTION FOR THE AVENUE D SOUTH EXTENSION & UTILITY UPGRADES PROJECT, TEXAS A&M-RELLIS, BRYAN, TEXAS (PROJECT NO. 26-3351), THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

The project scope along with a project budget of \$13,500,000 for the Avenue D South Extension & Utility Upgrades Project is approved.

The amount of \$11,650,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-084243 Permanent University Fund Debt Proceeds, (AUF), and the amount of \$500,000 is appropriated from Account No. 09-020121 Instruction-Designated, for construction services and related project costs.

The Avenue D South Extension & Utility Upgrades Project, Texas A&M-RELLIS, Bryan, Texas, is approved for construction.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

### **MINUTE ORDER 158-2024 (ITEM 3.4)**

## APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT SCOPE AND INCREASED BUDGET, APPROPRIATION FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, AND APPROVAL FOR CONSTRUCTION FOR THE ALKEK BUILDING ROOF & EXHAUST FAN REPLACEMENT PROJECT, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER, HOUSTON, TEXAS (SSC PROJECT NO. 22-0209), TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

The project scope along with an increased project budget of \$6,865,000 for the Alkek Building Roof & Exhaust Fan Replacement Project is approved.

The amount of \$6,365,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-084243 Permanent University Fund Debt Proceeds (AUF), for construction services and related project costs.

The Alkek Building Roof & Exhaust Fan Replacement Project, Texas A&M University Health Science Center, Houston, Texas, is approved for construction.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

#### **MINUTE ORDER 159-2024 (ITEM 3.5)**

## APPROVAL TO AMEND THE FY 2025 – FY 2029 TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM CAPITAL PLAN TO CHANGE THE FISCAL YEAR DESIGNATION FOR PROJECT INITIATION AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR PRE-CONSTRUCTION SERVICES FOR THE HELDENFELS 4TH FLOOR INSTRUCTIONAL LAB RENOVATION PROJECT FOR TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY (PROJECT NO. 02-3432), TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

The request to amend the FY 2025 – FY 2029 Texas A&M University System Capital Plan to change the fiscal year designation for project initiation for the Heldenfels 4th Floor Instructional Lab Renovation Project for Texas A&M University from FY 2026 to FY 2025 is approved.

The amount of \$1,200,000 is appropriated from Account No. 02-806306, Heldenfels, for pre-construction services and related project costs. Funds cannot be appropriated prior to September 1, 2024.

### **MINUTE ORDER 160-2024 (ITEM 3.6)**

## APPROVAL TO AMEND THE FY 2025-FY 2029 A&M SYSTEM CAPITAL PLAN TO ADD THE CORPUS CHRISTI WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT FOR TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXTENSION SERVICE, CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS (PROJECT NO. 09-3436), WITH AN FY 2024 START DATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR PRECONSTRUCTION SERVICES, TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXTENSION SERVICE

The request to amend the FY 2025-FY 2029 A&M System Capital Plan to add the Corpus Christi Workforce Development Project for Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service with an FY 2024 start date and a total planning amount of \$15,000,000 is approved.

Contingent upon the completion of the Program of Requirements and execution of a longterm lease, the amount of \$1,500,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-084243, Permanent University Fund Debt Proceeds (AUF), for pre-construction services and related project costs.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

#### **MINUTE ORDER 161-2024 (ITEM 3.7)**

## APPROVAL TO AMEND THE FY 2025-FY 2029 A&M SYSTEM CAPITAL PLAN TO ADD THE CEA RESEARCH GREENHOUSE PROJECT FOR TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE RESEARCH WITH AN FY 2025 START DATE AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR PRECONSTRUCTION SERVICES (PROJECT NO. 24-007), TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE RESEARCH

The request to amend the FY 2025-FY 2029 A&M System Capital Plan to add the CEA Research Greenhouse Project for Texas A&M AgriLife Research with an FY 2025 start date and a total planning amount of \$7,500,000 is approved.

The amount of \$750,000 is appropriated from Account No. 06-400205-07033 Dallas Landsale Funds, for pre-construction services and related project costs.

#### **MINUTE ORDER 162-2024 (ITEM 3.8)**

## APPROVAL TO AMEND THE FY 2025 - FY 2029 A&M SYSTEM CAPITAL PLAN TO ADD SAFE ROOM PROJECTS FOR SYSTEM MEMBERS WITH AN FY 2025 START DATE (UPON APPROVAL OF A FEMA PROJECT), THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

Upon approval of a FEMA project, the request to amend the FY 2025 - FY 2029 A&M System Capital Plan to add FEMA-approved Safe Room projects for System Members with an FY 2025 start date and a combined total planning amount of up to \$254,536,369 is approved.

Contingent upon the completion of each Safe Room project's Program of Requirements, the amount of up to 10% of the project budget is appropriated from various accounts for pre-construction services and related project costs.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

As required by Section 5(a) of the Master Resolution of the Revenue Financing System, the Board hereby determines that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System and that the Participants, on whose behalf the debt is issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

### **REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS**

Regent Plank, Chairman of the Committee on Academic and Student Affairs (CASA), said the committee had met the previous day at which time they discussed the Affordability Initiative. He said Dr. James Hallmark provided updates on three items from previous board meetings which included the honors program admission requirements, status of the development of surveys of student experiences, and the status of nursing collaboration efforts. Regent Plank said that in addition, they considered Item 4.1 regarding revisions to Policy 12.03 on academic workload and reporting requirements, and Policy 12.07 on fixed term academic professional track faculty, as well as Item 4.2 regarding revisions to Policy 15.04 on sponsored research services. He said the committee recommended approval of Items 4.1 and 4.2 to the full Board for approval.

On motion of Regent Brooks, seconded by Regent Bellinger, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute orders were approved (163-164):

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MINUTE ORDER 163-2024 (ITEM 4.1)

APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO POLICY 12.03, FACULTY ACADEMIC WORKLOAD AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS AND POLICY 12.07, FIXED TERM ACADEMIC PROFESSIONAL TRACK FACULTY, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

The revisions to System Policies 12.03, Faculty Academic Workload and Reporting Requirements and Policy 12.07, Fixed Term Academic Professional Track Faculty, as shown in the attached exhibits, are approved, effective immediately.

MINUTE ORDER 164-2024 (ITEM 4.2)

APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO SYSTEM POLICY 15.04, SPONSORED RESEARCH SERVICES, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

The revisions to System Policy 15.04, Sponsored Research Services, as shown in the attached exhibit, are approved, effective immediately.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS CONSIDERED BY THE BOARD

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Janet Gordan, System Ethics and Compliance Officer, and Dora Zavala, Director of Equal Opportunity, presented Item 5.1. They reported that Item 5.1 was the authorization for the Chairman of the Board to submit a report to the State Legislature and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) certifying the Board of Regents' compliance with the Texas Education Code, Sec. 51.3525, for Fiscal Year 2024. The Board acted as set forth below:

On motion of Regent Torn, seconded by Regent Hernandez, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was approved (165):

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MINUTE ORDER 165-2024 (ITEM 5.1)

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD TO SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE STATE LEGISLATURE AND THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD (THECB) CERTIFYING THE BOARD OF REGENTS' COMPLIANCE WITH TEXAS EDUCATION CODE SEC. 51.3525 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

The Board of Regents authorizes the Chairman of the Board to submit a report to the State Legislature and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board certifying the Board of Regents' compliance with Texas Education Code 51.3525 for Fiscal Year 2024.

Vice Chairman Albritton presented Items 5.2 through 5.3 and 5.5 through 5.6 (executive session items). The Board acted as set forth below:

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(Note: Item 5.4 was withdrawn prior to the meeting).

On motion of Regent Baggett, seconded by Regent Plank, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute orders were approved (166-169):

### **MINUTE ORDER 166-2024 (ITEM 5.2)**

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AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE APPROXIMATELY 35.45 ACRES OF LAND LOCATED ON UNIVERSITY AVENUE IN TEXARKANA, BOWIE COUNTY, TEXAS, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or designee, following a review for legal sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, is authorized to purchase land totaling approximately 35.45 acres from Bringle Ridge Properties, LLC and Bringle Ridge Commercial 20, LLC or assigns and to take any and all additional action, and execute any and all ancillary documents deemed necessary, to consummate the transaction at a sales price not to exceed \$7,727,500.00, plus applicable closing costs.

The amount of \$7,000,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-083538 Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds Earnings and the amount of \$727,500 plus applicable closing costs is appropriated from Account No. 22-186999, Higher Education Fund Unallocated Reserve for the real estate purchase.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

As required by Section 5(a) of the Master Resolution of the Revenue Financing System, the Board hereby determines that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System and that the Participants, on whose behalf the debt is issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

MINUTE ORDER 167-2024 (ITEM 5.3-REVISED)

AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE MID-CITIES LOGISTICS, BUILDING A, LOCATED AT 3153 SANDY LANE IN FORT WORTH, TARRANT COUNTY, TEXAS AND APPROVAL TO AMEND THE FY 2025-FY 2029 TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM CAPITAL PLAN TO ADD THE TDEM FORT WORTH WAREHOUSE MODIFICATIONS PROJECT WITH AN IMMEDIATE START DATE, TEXAS DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or designee, following a review for legal sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, is authorized to negotiate, execute and deliver all documents, and to take all other actions necessary, to purchase the property known as Mid-Cities Logistics, Building A, located at 3153 Sandy Lane in Fort Worth, Tarrant County, Texas and complete the construction of the improvements for an amount not to exceed \$23,861,769.75.

The request to amend the FY 2025-FY 2029 Texas A&M University System Capital Plan to add the TDEM Fort Worth Warehouse Modifications Project for Texas Division of Emergency Management with an immediate start date and a total planning amount of \$4,661,640 is approved and the project can move forward immediately.

Contingent upon the completion of the Program of Requirements, the amount of \$4,661,640 is appropriated from Account No. 30-100402, Regional Storage & Staging Areas, for pre-construction services and construction services and related project costs.

MINUTE ORDER 168-2024 (ITEM 5.5

AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE RESEARCH AND INNOVATION LOCAL GOVERNMENT CORPORATION IN FORT WORTH, TEXAS, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or his designee, following legal review by the Office of General Counsel, is authorized to negotiate, execute and deliver an Interlocal Agreement with the Research & Innovation Local Government Corporation (RILGC) in Fort Worth, Texas to procure the pre-construction design and cost estimates for the development of the Research and Innovation Building at Texas A&M-Fort Worth, and to take any and all additional action, and execute any and all ancillary documents, deemed necessary to consummate the transaction.

MINUTE ORDER 169-2024 (ITEM 5.6)

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PRESIDENT TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE NEW EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS FOR THE HEAD BASEBALL COACH, MICHAEL EARLY, AND ASSISTANT BASEBALL COACH, JASON KELLY, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

Authority is hereby granted to the President of Texas A&M University to negotiate and execute new employment contracts, upon review for legal form and sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, with the following persons:

Head Baseball Coach – Michael Earley Assistant Baseball Coach – Jason Kelly

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

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Vice Chairman Albritton presented Items 6.1 through 6.47.

On motion of Regent Brooks, seconded by Regent Baggett, and by a unanimous vote, the following minute orders were approved (170-216):

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MINUTE ORDER 170-2024 (ITEM 6.1)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

The following minutes are approved: May 6-7, 2024, Regular Meeting, May 6-7, 2024, Special Workshop Meeting, June 6, 2024, Special Telephonic Meeting and July 3, 2024, Special Telephonic Meeting.

MINUTE ORDER 171-2024 (ITEM 6.2)

GRANTING OF THE TITLE OF EMERITUS, AUGUST 2024, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

In recognition of long and distinguished service to The Texas A&M University System, the Board of Regents hereby confirms the recommendation of the Chancellor and confers the title of "Emeritus" upon the individuals as shown in the attached exhibit, Emeritus Title List No. 24-04, and grants all rights and privileges of this title.

MINUTE ORDER 172-2024 (ITEM 6.3)

CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENT AND COMMISSIONING OF PEACE OFFICERS, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

In accordance with System Policy 34.06, Appointment, Commissioning and Authority of Peace Officers, the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System confirms the appointment and commissioning of campus peace officers by the Presidents of their respective system member universities, in accordance with the requirements of the law, and as shown in the exhibit, attached to the official minutes, subject to their taking the oath required of peace officers.

MINUTE ORDER 173-2024 (ITEM 6.4)

APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO SYSTEM POLICY 34.06, APPOINTMENT, COMMISSIONING AND AUTHORITY OF PEACE OFFICERS, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

The revisions to System Policy 34.06, Appointment, Commissioning and Authority of Peace Officers, as shown in the attached exhibit, are approved, effective immediately.

MINUTE ORDER 174-2024 (ITEM 6.5)

APPROVAL OF LIST OF AUTHORIZED SIGNERS FOR REVOLVING FUND BANK ACCOUNTS FOR SYSTEM MEMBERS, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

Under the authority of the General Appropriations Act, and effective September 1, 2024, the employees of The Texas A&M University System members named below, and their successors in office, are hereby authorized to sign checks and approve electronic payments, such as ACH and wire transfers, for the withdrawal of such funds according to law.

Source of Funds: Institutional Funds (or Qatar Foundation as indicated) Depository Bank: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. (or Commercial Bank-Qatar as indicated)

1. THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM (TAMUS)

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$175,000,000 (Operating and Debt Service) Employees authorized to sign checks: Maria L. Robinson, Chief Investment Officer and Treasurer David Verghese, Deputy Chief Investment Officer Michelle Engelke, Director, Finance All Texas A&M University Signers listed below.

2. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY (TAMU)

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$50,000,000. Employees authorized to sign checks:

John Crawford, Vice President for Finance and CFO John McCall, Associate Vice President for Finance and Controller Clint Merritt, Executive Director, Financial Management Operations Bryan Townsend, Executive Director, University Accounting Services Courtney Cammack, Director, University Accounting Services Linda Kettler, Director, Financial Management Operations Cynthia Flemings, Director, Tax Compliance and Reporting

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER (HSC)

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$15,000,000. Employees authorized to sign checks: All TAMU Signers listed above.

TEXAS A&M SYSTEM – SHARED SERVICES CENTER (SSC)

No Revolving Funds Employees authorized to sign checks: All TAMU Signers listed above.

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT GALVESTON (TAMUG)

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$2,000,000. Employees authorized to sign checks: All TAMU Signers listed above.

Susan Hernandez Lee, Associate Vice President for Finance and Compliance Officer Vanessa Garza, Assistant Director, Budget and Analysis

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT QATAR (TAMU at Qatar)

Source of Funds – Qatar Foundation

Depository Bank - Commercial Bank-Qatar

Employees authorized to sign checks:

John Crawford, Vice President for Finance and CFO, TAMU John McCall, Associate Vice President for Finance and Controller, TAMU Bryan Townsend, Executive Director, University Accounting Services, TAMU Joseph P. Pettibon II, Vice President for Planning, Assessment and Strategy, TAMU Cynthia Flemings, Director of Tax Compliance and Reporting, TAMU Cesar O. Malave, Dean and COO Rosalie Nickles, Assistant Dean for Finance, Compliance and Administrative Procedure Patrick Linke, Senior Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Studies Vacant, Executive Associate Dean for Academic Affairs Katina Anderson, Director, Business Operations

3. TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY (TSU)

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$5,500,000.
Employees authorized to sign checks:
Brett Powell, Executive Vice President for Finance & Administration and CFO Vacant, Assistant VP for Finance & Administration and Assistant CFO Claudia Dominguez, Director, Accounting Services
Melissa Elliott, Director, Student Account Services
Jo Anna Ince, Financial Analyst III
Sheila Hawkins, Financial Analyst III
Christina Dunagan, Business Manager
Maycee Kelley, Financial Accountant III
Chrissy Pack-Dowell, Financial Accountant III
Christi Pfau, Accounts Payable Manager

4. PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY (PVAMU)

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$7,000,000. Employees authorized to sign checks:

Cynthia Carter-Horn, Senior Vice President for Business Affairs and CFO Dianne Evans, Assistant Vice President for Financial Management Services Cozette Turner, Director, Accounting Services Equilla Jackson, Director, Treasury Services Stephanie Redd, Assistant Director, Treasury Services Stephane Daniels, Financial Accountant II JosaLynn Pritchard, Financial Accountant I

5. TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE RESEARCH (ALRSCH)

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$4,000,000.
Employees authorized to sign checks:
G. Cliff Lamb, Director
Vic S. Seidel, Executive Associate Vice Chancellor and COO
Debra Cummings, Assistant Agency Director and CFO
Donna Alexander, Assistant Agency Director and CFO, ALEXT
Loree Lewis, Executive Director, Contracts and Administration
Vacant, Director, Accounts Payable
Kim Payne, Financial Manager

6. <u>TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION SERVICE (ALEXT)</u>

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$4,000,000.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Rick Avery, Director Vic S. Seidel, Executive Associate Vice Chancellor and COO Donna Alexander, Assistant Agency Director and CFO Debra Cummings, Assistant Agency Director and CFO, ALRSCH Loree Lewis, Executive Director, Contracts and Administration, ALRSCH Vacant, Director, Accounts Payable, ALRSCH Kim Payne, Financial Manager, ALRSCH

7. TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATION (TEES)

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$3,000,000. Employees authorized to sign checks: Robert Bishop, Vice Chancellor and Dean Joseph N. Dunn, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Business Management and CFO Jane Zhou, Assistant CFO and Controller Karen Gregory, Assistant Controller Griselda Vazquez, Assistant Director Vacant, Assistant Director Vacant, Financial Accountant II

TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATION AT QATAR (TEES at Qatar)

Source of Funds – Qatar Foundation Depository Bank – Commercial Bank-Qatar Employees authorized to sign checks: Joseph N. Dunn, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Business Management and CFO Jane Zhou, Assistant CFO and Controller, TEES Cesar O. Malave, Dean and COO, TAMU at Qatar

8. TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXTENSION SERVICE (TEEX)

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$3,000,000. Employees authorized to sign checks: Tracy Foster, Deputy Director and CFO Brian Stipe, Assistant CFO and Controller Deepak Tyagi, Assistant Controller Patti Buckhaults, Financial Manager Jasmina Lewallen, Financial Manager Lynn Krueger, Financial Manager

9. TEXAS A&M FOREST SERVICE (TFS)

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$3,500,000. Employees authorized to sign checks: Travis Zamzow, Associate Agency Director for Finance & Administration Andrew Startz, Budgets and Accounting Department Head Natasha Wolf, Financial Management Supervisor John C. Powell, Policy and Review Coordinator III

10. TEXAS A&M TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE (TTI)

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$1,000,000. Employees authorized to sign checks: Rodney Horrell, Assistant Agency Director and CFO Tyler K. Theobald, Assistant CFO Stephanie Barnett, Director, Accounting Weining Yang, Controller Randi McClure, Supervisor, Accounting Michelle L. Young, Financial Accountant IV

TEXAS A&M TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE AT QATAR (TTI at Qatar)

Source of Funds – Qatar Foundation Depository Bank – Commercial Bank-Qatar Employees authorized to sign checks: Rodney Horrell, Assistant Agency Director and CFO, TTI Tyler K. Theobald, Assistant CFO, TTI Weining Yang, Controller, TTI

11. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI (TAMUCC)

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$5,500,000. Employees authorized to sign checks: Kelly Miller, President Andrew Rogers, Vice President for Finance & Administration Yolanda Castorena, Associate Vice President for Finance and Controller Allison Lewis, Assistant Vice President and Chief Budget Officer Will Hobart, Director, Procurement & Disbursements and HUB Coordinator Cassie Eyring, Assistant Controller Eliza Garcia, Accounting Manager Christy Robertson, Financial Accountant III Penni Nolan, Accounting Assistant III Kalee Olivarez, Financial Accountant III

12. TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY (TAMIU)

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$3,500,000. Employees authorized to sign checks:

Pablo Arenaz, President Juan J. Castillo Jr., Vice President for Finance & Administration Federico Juarez III, Associate Vice President for Finance & Administration Elena Martinez, Comptroller Maria Elena Hernandez, Assistant Comptroller/Receivables Melisa Rangel, Associate Controller Patricia Ornelas, Associate Controller

13. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE (TAMUK)

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$5,000,000. Employees authorized to sign checks:

Robert H. Vela Jr., President Jacob Flournoy, Vice President for Finance and CFO Joanne Castro, Associate Vice President for Financial Services Samantha Padilla, Controller

Vilma Castillo, Director, Accounting Services

Yvonne Vela, Associate Director, Accounts Payable and Travel

Robyn Wallace, Financial Analyst III

14. TEXAS A&M VETERINARY MEDICAL DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY (TVMDL)

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$4,000,000. Employees authorized to sign checks: Amy Swinford, Agency Director Matthew Durham, Assistant Agency Director and CFO Vic S. Seidel, Executive Associate Vice Chancellor and COO Debra Cummings, Assistant Agency Director and CFO, ALRSCH Donna Alexander, Assistant Agency Director and CFO, ALEXT Loree Lewis, Executive Director, Contracts and Administration, ALRSCH Vacant, Director, Accounts Payable, ALRSCH Kim Payne, Financial Manager, ALRSCH

15. WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY (WTAMU)

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$4,500,000. Employees authorized to sign checks: Randy Rikel, Vice President for Business and Finance Todd McNeill, Associate Vice President and Controller Lauren Cazarez, Director, Finance Mark Hiner, Associate Director, Budgets Amanda Ryder, Bursar John Bassett, Assistant Bursar

16. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE (TAMUC)

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$5,500,000. Employees authorized to sign checks: Mark Rudin, President and Chief Executive Officer Tina Livingston, Vice President for Finance & Administration Sarah Baker, Associate Vice President for Finance & Administration and Controller Toni Burton, Assistant Controller Arlana Martin, Budget Director Belinda Benson, Senior Budget Manager Rocio (Rose) Moreno, State Accounting Manager Vacant, Reconciliation Manager Kim Jefferies, Gifts Processing Manager Christine Newell, Financial Accountant III Alice Norwood, Accounting Assistant III Crystal Butler, Accounting Assistant II Sierra Harris, Accounting Assistant II Kelly Ramey, Budget Analyst II

17. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA (TAMUT)

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$2,000,000.

Employees authorized to sign checks:

Ross Alexander, President

Jeff Hinton, Executive Vice President for Finance & Administration and CFO Rhonda Jones, Assistant Vice President and Controller

Russell Ryan, Assistant Controller

Geoffrey Kreighoff, Financial Accountant III

K'Leeh Holt, Financial Accountant II

Stephenie Durham, Financial Accountant I

18. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CENTRAL TEXAS (TAMUCT)

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$2,000,000. Employees authorized to sign checks: Richard Rhodes, President Todd Lutz, Vice President for Finance & Administration and CFO Susan Bowden, Assistant Vice President for Business Affairs and Controller Danielle Clouden, Assistant Controller Vanessa Santos, Financial Accountant III

19. TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-SAN ANTONIO (TAMUSA)

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$3,500,000. Employees authorized to sign checks: Salvador Hector Ochoa, President Leonard A. Cullo Jr., Vice President for Business Affairs and CFO Amanda Castro, Controller Denis Cano, Associate Controller and Director of Accounting Services Felica Tamez, Bursar Vacant, Senior Accountant

20. TEXAS DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (TDEM)

Revolving Fund portion not to exceed \$30,000,000. Employees authorized to sign checks:

> John Crawford, Vice President for Finance and CFO, TAMU John McCall, Associate Vice President for Finance and Controller, TAMU Clint Merritt, Executive Director, Financial Management Operations, TAMU Bryan Townsend, Executive Director, University Accounting Services, TAMU Courtney Cammack, Director, University Accounting Services, TAMU Linda Kettler, Director, Financial Management Operations, TAMU Cynthia Flemings, Director of Tax Compliance and Reporting, TAMU

MINUTE ORDER 175-2024 (ITEM 6.6)

APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, AUGUST 2024, PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 12.01, Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure, hereby authorizes the granting of tenure to the following faculty members at Prairie View A&M University as set forth in the exhibit, Tenure List No. 24-04.

MINUTE ORDER 176-2024 (ITEM 6.7)

GRANTING OF FACULTY DEVELOPMENT LEAVE FOR FY 2024, PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 31.03, System Regulation 12.99.01 and Sections 51.101-108 of the Texas Education Code, authorizes faculty development leave to the faculty members as shown in the attached exhibit, Faculty Development Leave List FY 2024, Prairie View A&M University.

MINUTE ORDER 177-2024 (ITEM 6.8)

APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, AUGUST 2024, TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 12.01, Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure, hereby authorizes the granting of tenure to the following faculty member at Tarleton State University as set forth in the exhibit, Tenure List No. 24-04.

MINUTE ORDER 178-2024 (ITEM 6.9)

APPROVAL OF A NEW BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE PROGRAM WITH A MAJOR IN ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND MACHINE LEARNING AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD, TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Tarleton State University leading to a Bachelor of Science Degree Program with a Major in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning.

The Board also authorizes submission of Tarleton State University's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 179-2024 (ITEM 6.10)

APPROVAL OF A NEW MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE PROGRAM WITH A MAJOR IN ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND MACHINE LEARNING AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD, TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Tarleton State University leading to a Master of Science Degree Program with a Major in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning.

The Board also authorizes submission of Tarleton State University's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 180-2024 (ITEM 6.11)

APPROVAL OF A NEW DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY DEGREE PROGRAM WITH A MAJOR IN AGRICULTURAL AND BIOLOGICAL ENGINEERING, AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD, TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Tarleton State University leading to a Doctor of Philosophy with a major in Agricultural and Biological Engineering.

The Board also authorizes submission of Tarleton State University's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 181-2024 (ITEM 6.12)

APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, AUGUST 2024, TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 12.01, Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure, hereby authorizes the granting of tenure to the following faculty members at Texas A&M International University as set forth in the exhibit, Tenure List No. 24-04.

MINUTE ORDER 182-2024 (ITEM 6.13)

APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, AUGUST 2024, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 12.01, Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure, hereby authorizes the granting of tenure to the following faculty members at Texas A&M University as set forth in the exhibit, Tenure List No. 24-02.

MINUTE ORDER 183-2024 (ITEM 6.14)

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BIOSECURITY AND PANDEMIC POLICY CENTER, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

The Biosecurity and Pandemic Policy Center is hereby established as an organizational unit of Texas A&M University within the Scowcroft Institute of International Affairs at the Bush School of Government & Public Service.

MINUTE ORDER 184-2024 (ITEM 6.15)

AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD AN HONORARY DEGREE TO AMBASSADOR RYAN C. CROCKER, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

The President of Texas A&M University is authorized to award an Honorary Doctor of Letters degree to Ambassador Ryan C. Crocker.

MINUTE ORDER 185-2024 (ITEM 6.16)

NAMING OF THE CONSTRUCTION FIELD LAB – PHASE I AT THE RELLIS CAMPUS, AS THE "FERRARA CONSTRUCTION FIELD LABORATORY COMPLEX," TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the Construction Field Lab – Phase I at the RELLIS Campus the "Ferrara Construction Field Laboratory Complex."

MINUTE ORDER 186-2024 (ITEM 6.17)

NAMING OF ATHLETICS FACILITIES AND RELATED STRUCTURES, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the following athletics facilities and related structures on the campus of Texas A&M University:

- Plaza in Front of the Coolidge Football Performance Center "McFerrin Plaza"
- First Floor Lobby in the Adam C. Sinn '00 Academic & Wellness Center "Pam '75 & Larry L. Little '73 Lobby"
- Academic Services Center in the Adam C. Sinn '00 Academic & Wellness Center located on the 3rd floor of the building "Allison S. '96 & Don R. Whitaker '96 Center for Academic Services"
- Videoboard at the George P. Mitchell '40 Tennis Center "Glenda & Doug Otten '65 Scoreboard"
- Court 2 at the George P. Mitchell '40 Tennis Center "Jane H. Wright '76 Championship Court"
- Nutrition Center in the Adam C. Sinn '00 Academic & Wellness Center located on the 1st floor, Room 103 "Linda & Dennis Clark '68Nutrition Center"

MINUTE ORDER 187-2024 (ITEM 6.18)

NAMING OF SPACES IN THE WAYNE ROBERTS '85 BUILDING, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the following spaces in the Wayne Roberts '85 Building on the campus of Texas A&M University:

- Café (Room 11) "Reynolds and Reynolds Café"
- Conference Room (Room 211) "David R. Norcom '73 Conference Room"
- Learning Studio (Room 101) "In Honor of Devoted Educators, Given by Cydney Donnell '81"
- Learning Studio (Room 102) "Deloitte Foundation Learning Studio"
- Learning Studio (Room 204) "Shannon H. '90 and Chris B. Work '90 Learning Studio"
- Collaboration Room (Room 114) "Jim Stark '84 Collaboration Room"
- Collaboration Room (Room 113) "Michael D. Rupe '93 Collaboration Room"
- Collaboration Room (Room 321D) "Grayson '12 and Taylor '12 Moffatt Family Collaboration Room"
- Collaboration Room (Room 321F) "Phillips 66 Collaboration Room"
- Collaboration Room (Room 302) "Miles Marks '79 Collaboration Room"
- Conversation Room (Room 321B) "Carrie B. and Timothy J. Hill '89 Conversation Room"

MINUTE ORDER 188-2024 (ITEM 6.19)

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PRESIDENT TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE REVENUE AGREEMENT(S) FOR THE MAYS BUSINESS SCHOOL CENTER FOR EXECUTIVE DEVELOPMENT FOR FY 2025, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System authorizes the President of Texas A&M University to negotiate and execute revenue agreements for the Mays Business School Center for Executive Development during FY 2025, including any amendments, modifications or extensions to revenue agreements created prior to FY 2025, subject to review for legal form and sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel. Each such agreement must be structured so that the revenue generated by the agreement will cover, at a minimum, all costs incurred by Texas A&M University in performing under the agreement. Total consideration under any agreement will not exceed \$3,000,000 and the term for any agreement will not exceed five years.

MINUTE ORDER 189-2024 (ITEM 6.20)

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PRESIDENT TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE CERTAIN SPECIFIED CONTRACTS INVOLVING CONSIDERATION OF \$500,000 OR MORE, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System authorizes the President of Texas A&M University to negotiate and execute the contracts, and other related documents necessary to administer or implement the contracts, listed in the exhibit, Contract List No. 24-04, subject to review for legal form and sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel.

MINUTE ORDER 190-2024 (ITEM 6.21)

APPROVAL OF A NEW DOCTOR OF EDUCATION IN EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP DEGREE PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CENTRAL TEXAS

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University-Central Texas leading to a Doctor of Education degree with a major in Educational Leadership.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-Central Texas's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 191-2024 (ITEM 6.22)

AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD AN HONORARY DEGREE TO LIEUTENANT GENERAL HORACE "PETE" TAYLOR, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CENTRAL TEXAS

Texas A&M University-Central Texas is authorized to award an Honorary Doctor of Humanities degree to Lieutenant General Horace "Pete" Taylor, U.S. Army, Retired.

MINUTE ORDER 192-2024 (ITEM 6.23)

APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, AUGUST 2024, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 12.01, Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure, hereby authorizes the granting of tenure to the following faculty members at Texas A&M University-Commerce as set forth in the exhibit, Tenure List No. 24-04.

MINUTE ORDER 193-2024 (ITEM 6.24)

APPROVAL OF AMENDED MISSION STATEMENT AND AUTHORIZATION TO PROVIDE NOTIFICATION TO THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the amended Mission Statement for Texas A&M University-Commerce as shown in the attached exhibit. The Board also authorizes notification of Texas A&M University-Commerce's amended Mission Statement to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

MINUTE ORDER 194-2024 (ITEM 6.25)

NAMING OF THE BAND HALL IN THE MUSIC BUILDING, AS THE "JAMES F. KEENE BAND HALL," TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the Band Hall on the campus of Texas A&M University-Commerce the "James F. Keene Band Hall."

MINUTE ORDER 195-2024 (ITEM 6.26)

APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, AUGUST 2024, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 12.01, Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure, hereby authorizes the granting of tenure to the following faculty members at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi as set forth in the exhibit, Tenure List No. 24-04.

MINUTE ORDER 196-2024 (ITEM 6.27)

NAMING OF THE CONCESSION STAND IN THE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER AT TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI, AS THE "LUCY AND DICK MCCRACKEN CONCESSION STAND," TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the concession stand in the Performing Arts Center at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi the "Lucy and Dick McCracken Concession Stand."

MINUTE ORDER 197-2024 (ITEM 6.28)

NAMING OF EXHIBIT SPACE WITHIN THE SPECIAL COLLECTIONS AND ARCHIVES SPACE IN THE CHAPPARAL DOWNTOWN BUILDING, AS THE "JIM AND CANDACE MOLONEY EXHIBIT SPACE," TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the exhibit space within the Special Collections and Archives Space in the Chapparal Downtown Building the "Jim and Candace Moloney Exhibit Space."

MINUTE ORDER 198-2024 (ITEM 6.29)

NAMING OF THE MULTIPURPOSE ROOM WITHIN THE SPECIAL COLLECTIONS AND ARCHIVES SPACE IN THE CHAPPARAL DOWNTOWN BUILDING, AS THE "PATTY AND HANK NUSS MULTIPURPOSE ROOM," TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the multipurpose room within the Special Collections and Archives Space in the Chapparal Downtown Building the "Patty and Hank Nuss Multipurpose Room."

MINUTE ORDER 199-2024 (ITEM 6.30)

NAMING OF AN OFFICE WITHIN THE SPECIAL COLLECTIONS AND ARCHIVES SPACE IN THE CHAPPARAL DOWNTOWN BUILDING, AS THE "ARTURO VASQUEZ, CPA GRADUATE ASSISTANT, FELLOW, AND VOLUNTEER OFFICE," TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names an office within the Special Collections and Archives Space in the downtown building the "Arturo Vasquez, CPA Graduate Assistant, Fellow, and Volunteer Office."

MINUTE ORDER 200-2024 (ITEM 6.31)

NAMING OF THE OFFICE WITHIN THE SPECIAL COLLECTIONS AND ARCHIVES SPACE IN THE CHAPPARAL DOWNTOWN BUILDING, AS THE "ELIZABETH AND JERRY SUSSER OFFICE FOR THE DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL COLLECTIONS AND ARCHIVES," TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the office within the Special Collections and Archives Space in the Chapparal Downtown Building the "Elizabeth and Jerry Susser Office for the Director of Special Collections and Archives."

MINUTE ORDER 201-2024 (ITEM 6.32)

NAMING OF THE READING ROOM WITHIN THE SPECIAL COLLECTIONS AND ARCHIVES SPACE IN THE CHAPPARAL DOWNTOWN BUILDING, AS THE "JOHN ROGER BATEMAN READING ROOM," TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the reading room within the Special Collections and Archives Space in the Chapparal Downtown Building the "John Roger Bateman Reading Room."

MINUTE ORDER 202-2024 (ITEM 6.33)

APPROVAL OF A NEW BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE PROGRAM, WITH A MAJOR IN COMPUTER ENGINEERING, AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University-Texarkana leading to a Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering. The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-Texarkana's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 203-2024 (ITEM 6.34)

APPROVAL OF A NEW MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION DEGREE PROGRAM WITH A MAJOR IN QUANTITATIVE FINANCE, AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new Master of Business Administration degree program, with a major in Quantitative Finance at Texas A&M University-Texarkana.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-Texarkana's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 204-2024 (ITEM 6.35)

APPROVAL OF A NEW MASTER OF HEALTHCARE ADMINISTRATION DEGREE PROGRAM, WITH A MAJOR IN HEALTHCARE ADMINISTRATION, AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University-Texarkana leading to a Master of Healthcare Administration with a major in Healthcare Administration.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-Texarkana's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 205-2024 (ITEM 6.36)

APPROVAL OF A NEW MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ENGINEERING DEGREE PROGRAM, WITH A MAJOR IN ENGINEERING, AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University-Texarkana leading to a Master of Science in Engineering with a major in Engineering.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-Texarkana's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 206-2024 (ITEM 6.37)

APPROVAL OF A NEW MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE PROGRAM, WITH A MAJOR IN ENGINEERING MANAGEMENT, AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University-Texarkana leading to a Master of Science with a major in Engineering Management.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-Texarkana's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 207-2024 (ITEM 6.38)

APPROVAL OF A NEW DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE DEGREE PROGRAM, WITH A MAJOR IN NURSING PRACTICE, AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA

The Board of Regents approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University-Texarkana leading to a Doctor of Nursing Practice degree with a major in Nursing Practice.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-Texarkana's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 208-2024 (ITEM 6.39)

APPROVAL OF A NEW DOCTOR OF PHYSICAL THERAPY DEGREE PROGRAM, WITH A MAJOR IN PHYSICAL THERAPY, AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA

The Board of Regents approves the establishment of a new degree program at Texas A&M University-Texarkana leading to a Doctor of Physical Therapy degree with a major in Physical Therapy.

The Board also authorizes submission of Texas A&M University-Texarkana's new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

MINUTE ORDER 209-2024 (ITEM 6.40)

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NORTHEAST TEXAS STEM CENTER, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA

The Northeast Texas STEM Center is hereby established as an organizational unit of Texas A&M University-Texarkana within the College of Business, Engineering, and Technology.

MINUTE ORDER 210-2024 (ITEM 6.41)

AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD AN HONORARY DEGREE TO SONJA YATES HUBBARD, TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA

The President of Texas A&M University-Texarkana is authorized to award an Honorary Doctor of Leadership degree to Sonja Yates Hubbard.

MINUTE ORDER 211-2024 (ITEM 6.42)

NAMING OF FACILITY AND AREA WITHIN THE ATHLETIC COMPLEX, AS THE "MCCULLOCH HOSPITALITY SUITE & TERRACE," TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the Hospitality Suite & Terrace within the Athletic Complex on the campus of Texas A&M University-Texarkana the "McCulloch Hospitality Suite & Terrace."

MINUTE ORDER 212-2024 (ITEM 6.43)

APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE, AUGUST 2024, WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 12.01, Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure, hereby authorizes the granting of tenure to the following faculty members at West Texas A&M University as set forth in the exhibit, Tenure List No. 24-04.

MINUTE ORDER 213-2024 (ITEM 6.44)

AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD AN HONORARY DEGREE TO CONNIE WOOTTON, WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

The President of West Texas A&M University is authorized to award an Honorary Doctor of Philosophy in Education degree to Connie Wootton.

MINUTE ORDER 214-2024 (ITEM 6.45)

AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH TWO QUASI-ENDOWMENTS IN THE SYSTEM ENDOWMENT FUND ENTITLED THE "JIMMY WILLIAMS NATURAL RESOURCES MODELING AWARD QUASI ENDOWMENT," AND THE "ALLAN JONES AGRO-ECOSYSTEM MODELING AWARD QUASI ENDOWMENT," TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE RESEARCH

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System authorizes the director of Texas A&M AgriLife Research to establish two quasi-endowments in the System Endowment Fund entitled as follows:

- "Jimmy Williams Natural Resources Modeling Award Quasi Endowment"
- "Allan Jones Agro-Ecosystem Modeling Award Quasi Endowment"

MINUTE ORDER 215-2024 (ITEM 6.46)

AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE FEDERAL AND STATE NON-RESEARCH GRANT AGREEMENTS AND ANY AMENDMENTS, MODIFICATIONS OR EXTENSIONS, TEXAS A&M FOREST SERVICE

The Director of the Texas A&M Forest Service, or designee, is authorized to execute, following review for legal sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, grant agreements, amendments, modifications, or extensions with the United States Department of Agriculture – Forest Service for the Fiscal Year 2025 Consolidated Programs Grant, the Fiscal Year 2025 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Grants, and the Fiscal Year 2025 Community Wildfire Defense Grant, and with the Office of the Governor for the Fiscal Year 2025 Texas Statewide Emergency Radio Infrastructure Grant.

MINUTE ORDER 216-2024 (ITEM 6.47)

APPROVAL OF THE TEXAS DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DISASTER RECOVERY LOAN PROGRAM RULE REVISIONS, TEXAS DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or designee, following a review for legal sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, is authorized to amend the rule for the TDEM Disaster Recovery Loan Program.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Vice Chairman Albritton thanked everyone for attending the meeting and for all the time and work put in to making the board meetings a success. He announced that the next regular Board meeting was scheduled for November 6-8, 2024.

#### **RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Vice Chairman Albritton recessed the meeting at 2:16 p.m., Thursday, August 1, 2024.

(Note: The Board met in executive session from 10:05 a.m. until 1:58 p.m. on July 31, 2024, and from 8:03 a.m. until 1:26 p.m., from 2:25 p.m. until 2:35 p.m., and from 4:15 p.m. until 4:25 p.m. on August 1, 2024.)

# **RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION AND ADJOURN**

Vice Chairman Albritton reconvened the meeting in open session at 4:28 p.m. and announced that the meeting was adjourned.

Vickie Burt Spillers Executive Director, Board of Regents

(Minutes transcribed by Dee Rodriguez, Office of the Board of Regents.)

THIRTY-FOURTH SUPPLEMENTAL RESOLUTION TO THE MASTER RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE, SALE, AND DELIVERY OF BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM REVENUE FINANCING SYSTEM BONDS IN THE MAXIMUM AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$467 MILLION, AND APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING INSTRUMENTS AND PROCEDURES RELATING THERETO

Adopted August 1, 2024

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**WHEREAS**, the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (the "Board") has adopted a Master Resolution Establishing The Texas A&M University System Revenue Financing System (referred to herein as the "Master Resolution"); and

**WHEREAS**, unless otherwise defined herein, capitalized terms used herein shall have the meaning given in the Master Resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, the Master Resolution establishes the Revenue Financing System comprised of each institution and agency presently in The Texas A&M University System, and pledges the Pledged Revenues attributable to each Participant of the Revenue Financing System to the payment of Parity Obligations to be outstanding under the Master Resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has previously adopted the First through the Thirty-Third Supplemental Resolutions to the Master Resolution authorizing Parity Obligations thereunder; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined to issue Parity Obligations in one or more installments to (i) finance and refinance the cost of facilities and improvements for the Participants of the Revenue Financing System, including but not limited to those set forth in The Texas A&M University System Capital Plan; (ii) provide permanent financing for facilities and improvements financed with the proceeds of Refunded Notes; (iii) refund Refunded Bonds; and (iv) pay the costs of issuance relating to such Parity Obligations; and

**WHEREAS**, for such purposes the Board deems it necessary to issue Parity Obligations pursuant to this Thirty-Fourth Supplement to the Master Resolution (the "Thirty-Fourth Supplement"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Master Resolution, a Designated Financial Officer, has delivered to the Board a certificate stating that, to the best of his or her knowledge, the Board is in compliance with all covenants contained in the Master Resolution and each Supplemental Resolution and is not in default in the performance and observance of any of the terms, provisions, and conditions contained therein; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bonds authorized to be issued by this Thirty-Fourth Supplement are to be issued and delivered pursuant to Chapter 55, Texas Education Code, and Chapters 1207 and 1371, Texas Government Code,

# NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM THAT:

#### Section 1. DEFINITIONS.

(a) <u>Definitions</u>. In addition to the definitions set forth in the preamble of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement, the terms used in this Thirty-Fourth Supplement (except in the Form of Bonds) and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings given in the Master Resolution or in <u>Exhibit A</u> to this Thirty-Fourth Supplement attached hereto and made a part hereof.

(b) <u>Construction of Terms</u>. If appropriate in the context of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement, words of the singular number shall be considered to include the plural, words of the plural number shall be considered to include the singular, and words of the masculine, feminine, or neuter gender shall be considered to include the other genders.

### Section 2. AMOUNT, PURPOSE, AND DESIGNATION OF THE BONDS.

The Board's "BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY (a) SYSTEM REVENUE FINANCING SYSTEM BONDS, SERIES ," are hereby authorized to be issued and delivered in the maximum principal amount (determined without regard to premium or discount affecting the sale price) of \$467 Million, in one or more Series or sub-Series (as Tax-Exempt Bonds, Taxable Bonds or any combination thereof) as determined by the Designated Financial Officer pursuant to the terms of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement. The Bonds shall be designated by the year in which they are awarded pursuant to Section 3 below, and each Series within a year may have a letter designation following the year as determined by the Designated Financial Officer. The title of the Bonds may also be revised by a Designated Financial Officer as reflected in the Award Certificate pursuant to Section 3(b) hereof to reflect the status of the Bonds as Tax-Exempt Bonds or Taxable Bonds, as applicable. The authority conferred by this Thirty-Fourth Supplement to (i) act on behalf of the Board in selling any Series of Bonds and (ii) award the sale of the Bonds of such Series to a bidder in a competitive sale or execute one or more Bond Purchase Contract(s) pursuant to this Section shall expire at 11:59 p.m. on July 31, 2025 (the "Expiration Date"). Any Series of Bonds awarded pursuant to an official bid form or sold pursuant to a Bond Purchase Contract executed on or before the Expiration Date, may be delivered after such date.

(b) The Bonds are to be issued for the purpose of (i) financing and refinancing the costs of acquiring, purchasing, constructing, improving, enlarging, and equipping the property and facilities of the Participants of the Revenue Financing System; (ii) refunding all or a portion of the Potential Refunded Bonds; (iii) refunding all or a portion of the Board's outstanding Revenue Financing System Commercial Paper Notes, Series B (the "Notes") to provide permanent financing for facilities and improvements financed with the proceeds of the Notes; and (iv) paying the costs of issuance related thereto.

(c) To the extent that it is economically reasonable, Section 55.17 Projects may be financed in separate Series of Bonds and the Award Certificate relating to each such Series of Bonds shall show the principal amount of Parity Obligations, including the Bonds, issued for each Participant to finance or refinance Section 55.17 Projects and the additional Parity Obligations that

may be issued pursuant to such sections. Each Series of Bonds issued to refund portions of the Potential Refunded Bonds that were issued pursuant to Section 55.17 Authorization or issued to refund Parity Obligations issued pursuant to Section 55.17 Authorization, or any similar section, may also be included in that separate Series of Bonds.

(d) Each Series of Bonds herein authorized, unless otherwise indicated, are hereinafter referred to as the "Bonds," which may be in the form of fixed or adjustable rate bonds and as either Current Interest Bonds or Capital Appreciation Bonds.

# Section 3. DATE, DENOMINATIONS, NUMBERS, MATURITIES AND TERMS OF BONDS.

(a) <u>Terms of Bonds</u>. The Bonds shall initially be issued, sold, and delivered hereunder as fully registered bonds, without interest coupons, in the form of Current Interest Bonds or Capital Appreciation Bonds, numbered consecutively for each Series of Bonds from R-1 upward (or CR-1 upward, in the case of Capital Appreciation Bonds) (except the Initial Bond which shall be numbered T-1 for the Current Interest Bonds and TR-1 for the Capital Appreciation Bonds), payable to the respective initial registered owners thereof, or to the registered assignee or assignees of said bonds or any portion or portions thereof (in each case, the "Registered Owner"), in Authorized Denominations, maturing on the dates, in the years and in the principal amounts, respectively, and dated, all as set forth in the Award Certificate.

(b) Award Certificate. As authorized by Chapter 1371, Government Code, as amended, the Designated Financial Officer is hereby authorized, appointed, and designated to act on behalf of the Board in selling and delivering the Bonds and carrying out, the other procedures specified in this Thirty-Fourth Supplement, including determining and fixing: (i) the date of the Bonds, (ii) any additional or different designation or title by which the Bonds shall be known, (iii) the price at which the Bonds will be sold, (iv) the years in which the Bonds will mature, (v) the principal amount or Maturity Amount of the Bonds to mature in each of such years, (vi) the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds, including the aggregate principal amount of Current Interest Bonds and Capital Appreciation Bonds, (vii) the rate or rates of interest to be borne by each maturity, (viii) the interest payment periods, (ix) the dates, prices, and terms upon and at which the Bonds shall be subject to redemption, (x) the designation of which notes shall constitute the Refunded Notes refunded by the Bonds, (xi) the designation of which Potential Refunded Bonds shall constitute the Refunded Bonds, (xii) the Paying Agent/Registrar and Escrow Agent, if applicable, for the Bonds, (xiii) whether the Bonds shall be issued as Tax-Exempt Bonds or Taxable Bonds, (xiv) the Authorized Denominations for the Bonds, (xv) the date on which the Bonds shall be delivered to the purchaser(s) thereof, which date shall be not more than twelve (12) months following the Expiration Date, and (xvi) all other terms, provisions, details and matters relating to the Bonds and their issuance, sale, and delivery, and the refunding of the Refunded Obligations. All such determinations made by the Designated Financial Officer shall be specified in the Award Certificate delivered to the Executive Director, Board of Regents. Such determinations shall be limited by the following: (1) the price to be paid for the Bonds shall not be less than 95% of the aggregate original principal amount thereof plus accrued interest thereon, if any, from their dated date to their date of initial delivery, (2) none of the Bonds shall bear interest at a rate greater than the maximum rate allowed by law, (3) no Stated Maturity of any Bond shall be later than June 1, 2066, (4) the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds shall not exceed the

amount authorized in Section 2(a) hereof, and (5) Bonds shall be issued to refund all or a portion of the Potential Refunded Bonds only if that refunding, assuming that each Series sold and delivered at the same time is one Series of Bonds, results in the minimum present value savings set forth in the following paragraph.

Each Series of Bonds to be issued, in whole or in part, to refund Refunded Bonds must be sold on terms that produce a present value savings when the scheduled debt service payable on such Bonds during each Bond Year is subtracted from the scheduled debt service payable on the Refunded Bonds during the same Bond Year and the remainder is discounted to the scheduled date of delivery of the Bonds of such Series set forth in the Award Certificate at a discount factor equal to the yield on such Bonds determined in accordance with section 148 of the Code. The amount of the savings to be realized from the refunding shall be shown in the Award Certificate. The Award Certificate for each Series that is issued to refund Refunded Bonds or Refunded Notes shall also identify the Refunded Bonds or Refunded Notes being refunded by that Series.

It is further provided, however, that, notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, the Bonds shall not be delivered unless prior to delivery (i) the Award Certificate has been executed and delivered as required by this Thirty-Fourth Supplement and (ii) the Bonds have been rated by a Nationally-Recognized Rating Agency in one of the four highest rating categories for long-term obligations, as required by Chapter 1371, Texas Government Code, as amended.

The Designated Financial Officer is authorized and directed to determine which facilities and improvements will be financed or refinanced with the proceeds of the Bonds taking into account (i) the scheduled completion dates of the improvements and facilities financed with the proceeds of the Bonds, (ii) the economic projections for each such facility and improvement and the Participant on whose campus the facility or improvement is located and (iii) which Section 55.17 Projects are being undertaken and the projected budget impact on the Financing System of such financing. The designation of which improvements or facilities are to be financed or refinanced with the proceeds of the Bonds, (i) the Bonds shall be set forth in the Award Certificate. Before the Designated Financial Officer may determine that any improvement or facility is to be financed or refinanced with the proceeds of the Bonds, (i) the improvement or facility must have been approved for construction and financing by the Board, (ii) the Board must have made the findings required by Section 5 of the Master Resolution with respect to the Parity Obligations to be issued for such improvement or facility, and (iii) the project must have received any required approval or review of the Higher Education Coordinating Board to the extent and as required by the provisions of Section 61.058 of the Texas Education Code.

Each Award Certificate is hereby incorporated in and made a part of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement and shall be filed in the minutes of the Board as a part of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement.

(c) <u>Sale of the Bonds</u>. To achieve the lowest borrowing costs for the Participants of the Financing System, each Series of Bonds shall be sold to the public on either a negotiated or competitive basis as determined by the Designated Financial Officer in the Award Certificate for that Series of Bonds. In determining whether to sell a Series of Bonds by negotiated or competitive sale, the Designated Financial Officer shall take into account the financial condition of the State, the System, and the Financing System, any material disclosure issues that might exist at the time,

the market conditions expected at the time of the sale, the achievement of the HUB goals of the Board, and any other matters that, in the judgment of the Designated Financial Officer, might affect the net borrowing costs on the Series of Bonds to be sold.

If the Designated Financial Officer determines that a Series of Bonds should be sold at a competitive sale, the Designated Financial Officer shall prepare a notice of sale and Official Statement in such manner as the Designated Financial Officer deems appropriate, to make the notice of sale and Official Statement available to those institutions and firms wishing to submit a bid for the Series of Bonds, to receive such bids, and to award the sale of the Series of Bonds to the bidder submitting the best bid in accordance with the provisions of the notice of sale. If the Designated Financial Officer determines that a Series of Bonds should be sold by a negotiated sale, the Designated Financial Officer shall designate the senior managing underwriter for such Series of Bonds and such additional investment banking firms as he or she deems appropriate to assure that the Bonds are sold on the most advantageous terms to the Financing System. The Designated Financial Officer, acting for and on behalf of the Board, is authorized to enter into and carry out the terms of a Bond Purchase Contract for each Series of the Bonds to be sold by negotiated sale, with the underwriter(s) thereof at such price, with and subject to such terms as determined by the Designated Financial Officer pursuant to subsection (b) above. The Designated Financial Officer's approval of a Bond Purchase Contract shall be conclusively evidenced by said Designated Financial Officer's execution thereof.

(d) <u>In General</u>. The Bonds (i) may and shall be redeemed prior to the respective scheduled maturity dates, (ii) may be assigned and transferred, (iii) may be exchanged for other Bonds, (iv) shall have the characteristics, (v) shall be signed and sealed, and (vi) shall be subject to redemption prior to maturity, and the principal of and interest on the Bonds shall be payable, all as provided, and in the manner required or indicated, in the FORM OF BONDS set forth in <u>Exhibit B</u> to this Thirty-Fourth Supplement and as determined by the Designated Financial Officer as provided herein, with such changes and additions as are required to be consistent with the terms and provisions shown in the Award Certificate relating to the Bonds.

(e) <u>Delegation to Establish Sinking Fund for Balloon Debt</u>. In the event that the Designated Financial Officer determines to issue Bonds that constitute Balloon Debt, the Designated Financial Officer may upon determining that it is in the best interests of the Board provide in the Award Certificate for (i) the establishment of a sinking fund for such Balloon Debt, (ii) the accumulation of amounts in such sinking fund either by a fixed schedule stated in such Award Certificate or by a formula setting forth the amount and timing of required contributions that in each case is sufficient to provide for the payment of all amounts due on such Balloon Debt, and (iii) any restrictions with respect to such sinking fund, including the investment thereof, necessary to ensure compliance with any applicable provisions of the Code.

(f) <u>Finding Regarding Section 1207.008(b)</u>, <u>Government Code</u>. Pursuant to Section 1207.008(b), Government Code, it is hereby found that it is not practicable or possible to make the determination required by Section 1207.008(a), Government Code, in connection with the issuance of the Bonds to refund the Refunded Obligations. A portion of the Bonds is being authorized to refund the Refunded Notes to provide permanent financing for the improvements and facilities financed by the Refunded Notes. It is not possible to determine what the difference in debt service would be if the Refunded Notes were not refunded.

**Section 4. INTEREST**. Except as otherwise provided in the Award Certificate for the Bonds, (a) Current Interest Bonds of each Series of Bonds shall bear interest calculated on the basis of a 360-day year composed of twelve 30-day months from the dates specified in the FORM OF BONDS and in the Award Certificate to their respective dates of maturity at the rates set forth in the Award Certificate and (b) Capital Appreciation Bonds of each Series of Bonds shall bear interest from the Issuance Date for such Series of Bonds, calculated on the basis of a 360-day year composed of twelve 30-day months (subject to rounding to the Compounded Amounts thereof), compounded semiannually on the dates set forth in the Award Certificate (the "Compounding Dates") commencing on the date set forth in the Award Certificate, and payable, together with the principal amount thereof, in the manner provided in the FORM OF BONDS at the rates set forth in the Award Certificate.

Attached to the Award Certificate, if Capital Appreciation Bonds are to be issued, shall be an Exhibit (the "Compounded Amount Table") which will set forth the rounded original principal amounts at the Issuance Date for the Capital Appreciation Bonds and the Compounded Amounts and Maturity Amounts thereof (per \$5,000 Maturity Amount) as of each Compounding Date, commencing on the date set forth in the Award Certificate, and continuing until the final maturity of such Capital Appreciation Bonds. The Compounded Amount with respect to any date other than a Compounding Date is the amount set forth on the Compounded Amount Table with respect to the last preceding Compounding Date, plus the portion of the difference between such amount and the amount set forth on the Compounded Amount Table with respect to the next succeeding Compounding Date that the number of days (based on 30-day months) from such last preceding Compounding Date to the date for which such determination is being calculated bears to the total number of days (based on 30-day months) from such last preceding Compounding Date to the next succeeding Compounding Date to the next succeeding Compounding Date.

# Section 5. REGISTRATION, TRANSFER AND EXCHANGE; BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM; AUTHENTICATION.

(a) <u>Paying Agent/Registrar</u>. The Designated Financial Officer is authorized to solicit bids for and to select a Paying Agent/Registrar for the Bonds. The Designated Financial Officer is also authorized to enter into and carry out a Paying Agent/Registrar Agreement with the Paying Agent/Registrar with respect to the Bonds in substantially the form previously approved by the Board.

(b) <u>Registration Books</u>. The Board shall keep Registration Books for the registration of the transfer, exchange, and replacement of Bonds, and the Board hereby designates the Paying Agent/Registrar as the initial registrar and transfer agent to keep such Registration Books and make such registrations of transfers, exchanges, and replacements under such reasonable regulations as the Board may prescribe; and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall make such registrations, transfers, exchanges, and replacements as herein provided. The Paying Agent/Registrar shall obtain and record in the Registration Books the address of the Registered Owner of each Bond to which payments with respect to the Bonds shall be mailed, as herein provided; but it shall be the duty of each Registered Owner to notify the Paying Agent/Registrar in writing of the address to which payments shall be mailed, and such interest payments shall not be mailed unless such notice has been given. The Board shall have the right to inspect the Registration Books during regular business hours of the Paying Agent/Registrar, but otherwise the Paying Agent/Registrar shall keep the Registration Books confidential and, unless otherwise required by law, shall not permit their inspection by any other entity.

(c) <u>Ownership of Bonds</u>. The entity in whose name any Bond shall be registered in the Registration Books at any time shall be deemed and treated as the absolute owner thereof for all purposes of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement, whether or not such Bond shall be overdue, and, to the extent permitted by law, the Board and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall not be affected by any notice to the contrary; and payment of, or on account of, the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on any such Bond shall be made only to such Registered Owner. All such payments shall be valid and effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability upon such Bond to the extent of the sum or sums so paid.

(d) <u>Payment of Bonds and Interest</u>. The Board hereby further appoints the Paying Agent/Registrar to act as the paying agent for paying the principal of and interest on the Bonds, all as provided in this Thirty-Fourth Supplement. The Paying Agent/Registrar shall keep proper records of all payments made by the Board and the Paying Agent/Registrar with respect to the Bonds.

(e) <u>Authentication</u>. The Initial Bond shall be delivered to the initial purchaser and is not required to be, and shall not be, authenticated by the Paying Agent/Registrar, but on each Bond issued in exchange for the Initial Bond or any Bond or Bonds issued under this Thirty-Fourth Supplement the Paying Agent/Registrar shall execute the Paying Agent/Registrar's Authentication Certificate, in the form set forth in the FORM OF BONDS set forth in this Thirty-Fourth Supplement.

Transfer, Exchange, or Replacement. Each Bond issued and delivered pursuant to (f) this Thirty-Fourth Supplement, to the extent of the unpaid or unredeemed principal amount or Maturity Amount thereof, upon surrender of such Bond at a designated corporate trust office of the Paying Agent/Registrar, together with a written request therefor duly executed by the registered owner or the assignee or assignees thereof, or its or their duly authorized attorneys or representatives, with guarantee of signatures satisfactory to the Paying Agent/Registrar, may, at the option of the Registered Owner or such assignee or assignees, as appropriate, be exchanged for fully registered bonds, without interest coupons, in the appropriate form prescribed in the FORM OF BONDS set forth in this Thirty-Fourth Supplement, in the denomination of any Authorized Denominations (subject to the requirement hereinafter stated that each substitute Bond shall be of the same Series and have a single stated maturity date) as requested in writing by such Registered Owner or such assignee or assignees, in an aggregate principal amount or Maturity Amount equal to the unpaid or unredeemed principal amount or Maturity Amount of any Bond or Bonds so surrendered, and payable to the appropriate Registered Owner, assignee, or assignees, as the case may be. If a portion of any Bond shall be redeemed prior to its scheduled maturity as provided herein, a substitute Bond or Bonds having the same Series designation and maturity date, bearing interest at the same rate, and payable in the same manner, in Authorized Denominations at the request of the Registered Owner, and in aggregate principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion thereof, will be issued to the Registered Owner upon surrender thereof for cancellation. If any Bond or portion thereof is assigned and transferred, each Bond issued in exchange therefor shall have the same Series designation and maturity date and bear interest at the same rate and be payable in the same manner as the Bond for which it is being exchanged. Each substitute Bond

shall bear a letter and/or number to distinguish it from each other Bond. The Paying Agent/Registrar shall exchange or replace Bonds as provided herein, and each fully registered bond delivered in exchange for or replacement of any Bond or portion thereof as permitted or required by any provision of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement shall constitute one of the Bonds for all purposes of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement and may again be exchanged or replaced. On each substitute Bond issued in exchange for or replacement of any Bond or Bonds issued under this Thirty-Fourth Supplement there shall be printed an Authentication Certificate, in the form set forth in Exhibit B to this Thirty-Fourth Supplement. An authorized representative of the Paying Agent/Registrar shall, before the delivery of any such Bond, date and manually sign the above Authentication Certificate, and, except as provided in (e) above, no such Bond shall be deemed to be issued or outstanding unless such Certificate is so executed. The Paying Agent/Registrar promptly shall cancel all Bonds surrendered for transfer, exchange, or replacement. No additional resolutions need be passed or adopted by the Board or any other body or person so as to accomplish the foregoing transfer, exchange, or replacement of any Bond or portion thereof, and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall provide for the printing, execution, and delivery of the substitute Bonds in the manner prescribed herein. Pursuant to Chapter 1203, Texas Government Code, as amended, the duty of transfer, exchange, or replacement of Bonds as aforesaid is hereby imposed upon the Paying Agent/Registrar, and, upon the execution of the above Paying Agent/Registrar's Authentication Certificate, the exchanged or replaced Bond shall be valid, incontestable, and enforceable in the same manner and with the same effect as the Bonds which were originally issued pursuant to this Thirty-Fourth Supplement. The Board shall pay the Paying Agent/Registrar's standard or customary fees and charges, if any, for transferring, and exchanging any Bond or any portion thereof, but the one requesting any such transfer and exchange shall pay any taxes or governmental charges required to be paid with respect thereto as a condition precedent to the exercise of such privilege. The Paying Agent/Registrar shall not be required to make any such transfer, exchange, or replacement of Bonds or any portion thereof during the period commencing with the close of business on any Record Date and ending with the opening of business on the next following interest payment date. To the extent possible, any new Bond issued in an exchange, replacement, or transfer of a Bond will be delivered to the Registered Owner or assignee of the Registered Owner not more than three business days after the receipt of the Bonds to be cancelled and the written request as described above.

Substitute Paying Agent/Registrar. The Board covenants with the Registered (g) Owners of the Bonds that at all times while the Bonds are outstanding the Board will provide a competent and legally qualified bank, trust company, financial institution, or other agency to act as and perform the services of Paying Agent/Registrar for the Bonds under this Thirty-Fourth Supplement. The Board reserves the right to, and may, at its option, change the Paying Agent/Registrar upon not less than 60 days written notice to the Paying Agent/Registrar, to be effective not later than 60 days prior to the next principal or interest payment date after such notice. In the event that the entity at any time acting as Paying Agent/Registrar (or its successor by merger, acquisition, or other method) should resign or otherwise cease to act as such, the Board covenants that promptly it will appoint a competent and legally qualified bank, trust company, financial institution, or other agency to act as Paying Agent/Registrar under this Thirty-Fourth Supplement. Upon any change in the Paying Agent/Registrar, the previous Paying Agent/Registrar promptly shall transfer and deliver the Registration Books (or a copy thereof), along with all other pertinent books and records relating to the Bonds, to the new Paying Agent/Registrar designated and appointed by the Board. Upon any change in the Paying Agent/Registrar, the Board promptly will

cause a written notice thereof to be sent by the new Paying Agent/Registrar to each Registered Owner of the Bonds, by United States mail, first-class postage prepaid, which notice also shall give the address of the new Paying Agent/Registrar. By accepting the position and performing as such, each Paying Agent/Registrar shall be deemed to have agreed to the provisions of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement, and a certified copy of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement shall be delivered to each Paying Agent/Registrar.

(h) <u>Book-Entry-Only System</u>. The Definitive Bonds shall be initially issued in the form of a separate single fully registered Bond for each of the maturities thereof. Upon initial issuance, the ownership of each such Bond shall be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of the Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"), and except as provided in subsection (i) hereof, all of the Outstanding Bonds shall be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC.

With respect to Bonds registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, the Board and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall have no responsibility or obligation to any DTC Participant or to any person on behalf of whom such a DTC Participant holds an interest on the Bonds. Without limiting the immediately preceding sentence, the Board and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall have no responsibility or obligation with respect to (i) the accuracy of the records of DTC, Cede & Co. or any DTC Participant with respect to any ownership interest in the Bonds, (ii) the delivery to any DTC Participant or any other person, other than a Bondholder, as shown on the Registration Books, of any notice with respect to the Bonds, including any notice of redemption, or (iii) the payment to any DTC Participant or any other person, other than a Bondholder, as shown in the Registration Books of any amount with respect to principal of, premium, if any, or interest on the Bonds. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement to the contrary, but to the extent permitted by law, the Board and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall be entitled to treat and consider the person in whose name each Bond is registered in the Registration Books as the absolute owner of such Bond for the purpose of payment of principal, premium, if any, and interest with respect to such Bond, for the purpose of giving notices of redemption and other matters with respect to such Bond, for the purpose of registering transfers with respect to such Bond, and for all other purposes whatsoever. The Paying Agent/Registrar shall pay all principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds only to or upon the order of the respective owners, as shown in the Registration Books as provided in this Thirty-Fourth Supplement, or their respective attorneys duly authorized in writing, and all such payments shall be valid and effective to fully satisfy and discharge the Board's obligations with respect to payment of principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds to the extent of the sum or sums so paid. No person other than an owner, as shown in the Registration Books, shall receive a Bond certificate evidencing the obligation of the Board to make payments of principal, premium, if any, and interest pursuant to this Thirty-Fourth Supplement. Upon delivery by DTC to the Paying Agent/Registrar of written notice to the effect that DTC has determined to substitute a new nominee in place of Cede & Co., and subject to the provisions in this Thirty-Fourth Supplement with respect to interest checks being mailed to the Registered Owner at the close of business on the Record Date, the word "Cede & Co." in this Thirty-Fourth Supplement shall refer to such new nominee of DTC.

(i) <u>Successor Securities Depository: Transfers Outside Book-Entry-Only System</u>. In the event that the Board determines to discontinue the use of the Book-Entry-Only System through DTC, or DTC determines to discontinue providing its services with respect to the Bonds the Board shall (i) appoint a successor securities depository, qualified to act as such under Section 17(a) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, notify DTC and DTC Participants of the appointment of such successor securities depository and transfer one or more separate Bonds to such successor securities depository or (ii) notify DTC and DTC Participants of the availability through DTC of Bonds and transfer one or more separate Bonds to DTC Participants having Bonds credited to their DTC accounts. In such event, the Bonds shall no longer be restricted to being registered in the Registration Books in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, but may be registered in the name of the successor securities depository, or its nominee, or in whatever name or names Bondholders transferring or exchanging Bonds shall designate, in accordance with the provisions of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement. Whenever a successor securities depository has been appointed pursuant to this paragraph, the terms DTC and DTC Participant as used in this Thirty-Fourth Supplement shall refer to such successor securities depository and its participants, respectively.

(j) <u>Payments to Cede & Co.</u> Notwithstanding any other provision of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement to the contrary, so long as any Bond is registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, all payments with respect to principal of, premium, if any, and interest on such Bond and all notices with respect to such Bond shall be made and given, respectively, in the manner provided in the Representation Letter.

# (k) <u>Notice of Redemption and Defeasance</u>.

(i) In addition to the notice of redemption set forth in the FORM OF BONDS, the Designated Financial Officer shall give notice of redemption or defeasance to the Paying Agent/Registrar at least forty-five (45) days prior to a redemption date in the case of a redemption and on the defeasance date in the case of a defeasance and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall give notice of redemption or of defeasance of Bonds by mail, first-class postage prepaid at least thirty (30) days prior to a redemption date and within thirty (30) days after a defeasance date to each registered securities depository and to any national information service that disseminates such notices.

(ii) In addition, in the event of a redemption caused by an advance refunding of the Bonds, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall send a second notice of redemption to the persons specified in the immediately preceding sentence at least thirty (30) days but not more than ninety (90) days prior to the actual redemption date. Any notice sent to the registered securities depositories or such national information services shall be sent so that they are received at least two (2) days prior to the general mailing or publication date of such notice. The Paying Agent/Registrar shall also send a notice of prepayment or redemption to the Registered Owner of any Bond who has not sent the Bonds in for redemption sixty (60) days after the redemption date.

(iii) Each notice of redemption or defeasance, whether required in the FORM OF BONDS or in this Section, shall contain a description of the Bonds to be redeemed or defeased including the complete name of the Bonds, the date of issue, the interest rate, the maturity date, the CUSIP number, the amount called of each maturity, the publication and mailing date for the notice, the date of redemption or defeasance, the redemption price, if

any, the name of the Paying Agent/Registrar and the address at which the Bonds may be redeemed or paid, including a contact person and telephone number.

(iv) All redemption payments made by the Paying Agent/Registrar to the Registered Owners of the Bonds shall include a CUSIP number relating to each amount paid to such Registered Owner.

(v) If at the time of mailing of notice of any optional redemption in connection with a refunding of the Bonds, the Board shall not have deposited with the Paying Agent/Registrar or an eligible financial institution moneys sufficient to redeem all of the Bonds called for redemption, such notice may state that it is conditional in that it is subject to the deposit of the proceeds of refunding bonds with the Paying Agent/Registrar or an eligible financial institution not later than the redemption date, and such notice shall be of no effect unless such moneys are so deposited.

**Section 6.** FORM OF BONDS. The form of the Bonds, including the form of Paying Agent/Registrar's Authentication Certificate, the form of Assignment and the form of Registration Certificate of the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas, if needed with respect to the Bonds initially issued and delivered pursuant to this Thirty-Fourth Supplement, shall be, respectively, substantially as set forth in <u>Exhibit B</u>, with such appropriate variations, omissions, or insertions as are permitted or required by this Thirty-Fourth Supplement and the Award Certificate, including specifically information relating to Capital Appreciation Bonds and Current Interest Bonds, redemption provisions, and the information to be included in the purpose clause.

Section 7. ESTABLISHMENT OF FINANCING SYSTEM AND ISSUANCE OF PARITY OBLIGATIONS. By adoption of the Master Resolution the Board has established The Texas A&M University System Revenue Financing System for the purpose of providing a financing structure for revenue supported indebtedness of the institutions and agencies of The Texas A&M University System which are from time to time included as Participants of the Financing System. The Master Resolution is intended to establish a master plan under which revenue supported debt of the Financing System can be incurred. This Thirty-Fourth Supplement provides for the authorization, issuance, sale, delivery, form, characteristics, provisions of payment and redemption, and security of the Bonds as Parity Obligations. The Master Resolution is incorporated herein by reference and as such made a part hereof for all purposes, except to the extent modified and supplemented hereby, and the Bonds are hereby declared to be Parity Obligations under the Master Resolution. As required by Section 5(a) of the Master Resolution, the Board hereby determines that, upon the issuance of the Bonds, it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Financing System and that the Participants on whose behalf the Bonds are to be issued possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations after taking the Bonds into account.

**Section 8. SECURITY AND PAYMENTS**. The Bonds are special obligations of the Board payable from and secured solely by the Pledged Revenues pursuant to the Master Resolution and this Thirty-Fourth Supplement. The Pledged Revenues are hereby pledged, subject to the liens securing Prior Encumbered Obligations, to the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and

interest on Parity Obligations, including the Bonds, as the same shall become due and payable. The Board agrees to pay the principal of, premium, if any, and the interest on the Bonds when due, whether by reason of maturity or redemption.

# Section 9. PAYMENTS.

(a) Immediately after the delivery of the Bonds, the Board shall deposit all accrued interest received from the sale and delivery of the Bonds to the credit of a special account to be held to pay interest on the Bonds on the first interest payment date.

(b) Semiannually on or before each principal, redemption, or interest payment date while any of the Bonds are outstanding and unpaid, commencing on the first interest payment date for the Bonds as provided in the Award Certificate, the Board shall make available to the Paying Agent/Registrar, money sufficient to pay such interest on and such principal of the Bonds, including the Maturity Amount of any Capital Appreciation Bonds, as will accrue or mature, or be subject to mandatory redemption prior to maturity, on such principal, redemption, or interest payment date. The Paying Agent/Registrar shall cancel all paid Bonds and shall furnish the Board with an appropriate certificate of cancellation.

# Section 10. DAMAGED, MUTILATED, LOST, STOLEN, OR DESTROYED BONDS.

(a) <u>Replacement Bonds</u>. In the event any outstanding Bond is damaged, mutilated, lost, stolen, or destroyed, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall cause to be printed, executed, and delivered, a new bond of the same Series, principal amount, Maturity Amount, maturity and interest rate, and in the same form, as the damaged, mutilated, lost, stolen, or destroyed Bond, in replacement for such Bond in the manner hereinafter provided.

(b) <u>Application for Replacement Bonds</u>. Application for replacement of damaged, mutilated, lost, stolen, or destroyed Bonds shall be made to the Paying Agent/Registrar. In every case of loss, theft, or destruction of a Bond, the applicant for a replacement bond shall furnish to the Board and to the Paying Agent/Registrar such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them harmless from any loss or damage with respect thereto. Also, in every case of loss, theft, or destruction of a Bond, the applicant shall furnish to the Board and to the Paying Agent/Registrar evidence to their satisfaction of the loss, theft, or destruction of such Bond, as the case may be. In every case of damage or mutilation of a Bond, the applicant shall surrender to the Paying Agent/Registrar for cancellation the Bond so damaged or mutilated.

(c) <u>Payment in Lieu of Replacement</u>. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section, in the event any such Bond shall have matured, and no default has occurred which is then continuing in the payment of the principal, Maturity Amount, redemption premium, if any, or interest on the Bond, the Board may authorize the payment of the same (without surrender thereof except in the case of a damaged or mutilated Bond) instead of issuing a replacement Bond, provided security or indemnity is furnished as above provided in this Section.

(d) <u>Charge for Issuing Replacement Bonds</u>. Prior to the issuance of any replacement Bond, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall charge the owner of such Bond with all legal, printing, and other expenses in connection therewith. Every replacement Bond issued pursuant to the provisions

of this Section by virtue of the fact that any Bond is lost, stolen, or destroyed shall constitute a contractual obligation of the Board whether or not the lost, stolen, or destroyed Bond shall be found at any time, or be enforceable by anyone, and shall be entitled to all the benefits of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement equally and proportionately with any and all other Bonds duly issued under this Thirty-Fourth Supplement.

(e) <u>Authority for Issuing Replacement Bonds</u>. In accordance with Chapter 1203, Texas Government Code, as amended, this Section shall constitute authority for the issuance of any such replacement Bond without the necessity of further action by the Board or any other body or person, and the duty of the replacement of such Bonds is hereby authorized and imposed upon the Paying Agent/Registrar, and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall authenticate and deliver such Bonds in the form and manner and with the effect, as provided in Section 5(e) of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement for Bonds issued in exchange and replacement for other Bonds.

# Section 11. AMENDMENT OF SUPPLEMENT.

(a) <u>Amendments Without Consent</u>. This Thirty-Fourth Supplement and the rights and obligations of the Board and of the owners of the Bonds may be modified or amended at any time without notice to or the consent of any owner of the Bonds or any other Parity Obligations, solely for any one or more of the following purposes:

(i) To add to the covenants and agreements of the Board contained in this Thirty-Fourth Supplement, other covenants and agreements thereafter to be observed, or to surrender any right or power reserved to or conferred upon the Board in this Thirty-Fourth Supplement;

(ii) To cure any ambiguity or inconsistency, or to cure or correct any defective provisions contained in this Thirty-Fourth Supplement, upon receipt by the Board of an opinion of Bond Counsel that the same is needed for such purpose and will more clearly express the intent of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement;

(iii) To supplement the security for the Bonds, replace or provide additional credit facilities, or change the form of the Bonds or make such other changes in the provisions hereof as the Board may deem necessary or desirable and which shall not, in the judgment of the Board, materially adversely affect the interests of the owners of the Outstanding Bonds;

(iv) To make such other changes in the provisions of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement as the Board may deem necessary or desirable and which does not, in the judgment of the Board, materially adversely affect the interests of the owners of Parity Obligations; or

(v) To make any changes or amendments requested by any National-Recognized Rating Agency then rating or requested to rate Bonds, as a condition to the issuance or maintenance of a rating, which changes or amendments do not, in the judgment of the Board, materially adversely affect the interests of the owners of the Outstanding Bonds. (b) <u>Amendments With Consent</u>. Subject to the other provisions of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement, the owners of Outstanding Bonds aggregating fifty-one percent (51%) in Outstanding Principal Amount of Bonds shall have the right from time to time to approve any amendment, other than amendments described in subsection (a) of this Section, to this Thirty-Fourth Supplement which may be deemed necessary or desirable by the Board; provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall permit or be construed to permit, without the approval of the owners of all of the Outstanding Bonds, the amendment of the terms and conditions in this Thirty-Fourth Supplement or in the Bonds so as to:

(i) Make any change in the maturity of the Outstanding Bonds;

(ii) Reduce the rate of interest borne by Outstanding Bonds;

(iii) Reduce the amount of the principal or Maturity Amount payable on Outstanding Bonds;

(iv) Modify the terms of payment of principal or Maturity Amount of or interest on the Outstanding Bonds, or impose any conditions with respect to such payment;

(v) Affect the rights of the owners of less than all Bonds then Outstanding; or

(vi) Change the minimum percentage of the Outstanding Principal Amount of Bonds necessary for consent to such amendment.

(c) <u>Notice</u>. If at any time the Board shall desire to amend this Thirty-Fourth Supplement pursuant to (b) above, the Board shall cause notice of the proposed amendment to be published in a financial newspaper or journal of general circulation in the City of New York, New York, once during each calendar week for at least two successive calendar weeks or disseminated by electronic means customarily used to convey notices of redemption. Such notice shall briefly set forth the nature of the proposed amendment and shall state that a copy thereof is on file at the principal office of the Registrar for inspection by all owners of Bonds. Such publication is not required, however, if the Board gives or causes to be given such notice in writing to each owner of Bonds.

(d) <u>Receipt of Consents</u>. Whenever at any time not less than thirty days, and within one year, from the date of the first publication of said notice or other service of written notice of the proposed amendment the Board shall receive an instrument or instruments executed by all of the owners or the owners of at least fifty-one percent (51%) in Outstanding Principal Amount of Bonds, as appropriate, which instrument or instruments shall refer to the proposed amendment described in said notice and which specifically consent to and approve such amendment in substantially the form of the copy thereof on file as aforesaid, the Board may adopt the amendatory resolution in substantially the same form.

(e) <u>Effect of Amendments</u>. Upon the adoption by the Board of any resolution to amend this Thirty-Fourth Supplement pursuant to the provisions of this Section, this Thirty-Fourth Supplement shall be deemed to be amended in accordance with the amendatory resolution, and the respective rights, duties, and obligations of the Board and all the owners of then Outstanding Bonds

and all future Bonds shall thereafter be determined, exercised, and enforced under the Master Resolution and this Thirty-Fourth Supplement, as amended.

(f) <u>Consent Irrevocable</u>. Any consent given by any owner of Bonds pursuant to the provisions of this Section shall be irrevocable for a period of six (6) months from the date of the first publication or other service of the notice provided for in this Section, and shall be conclusive and binding upon all future owners of the same Bonds during such period. Such consent may be revoked at any time after six months from the date of the first publication of such notice by the owner who gave such consent, or by a successor in title, by filing notice thereof with the Registrar and the Board, but such revocation shall not be effective if the owners of fifty-one percent (51%) in Outstanding Principal Amount of Bonds, prior to the attempted revocation, consented to and approved the amendment.

(g) <u>Ownership</u>. For the purpose of this Section, the ownership and other matters relating to all Bonds registered as to ownership shall be determined from the registration books kept by the Registrar therefor. The Registrar may conclusively assume that such ownership continues until written notice to the contrary is served upon the Registrar.

# Section 12. COVENANTS REGARDING TAX MATTERS.

The Board covenants that it will monitor and control the receipt, investment, expenditure and use of all gross proceeds of the Tax-Exempt Bonds (including all property the acquisition, construction or improvement of which is to be financed directly or indirectly with the proceeds of the Tax-Exempt Bonds) and take or omit to take such other and further actions as may be required by Sections 103 and 141 through 150 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") and all applicable temporary, proposed and final regulations (the "Regulations") to cause interest on the Tax-Exempt Bonds to be and remain excludable from the gross income, as defined in Section 61 of the Code, of the owners of the Tax-Exempt Bonds for federal income tax purposes. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Board shall comply with each of the following covenants:

(a) The Board will use all of the proceeds of the Tax-Exempt Bonds to (i) provide funds for the purposes described in Section 2 hereof, which will be owned and operated by the Board and (ii) to pay the costs of issuing the Tax-Exempt Bonds and the costs of refunding the Refunded Bonds and the Refunded Notes. The Board will not use any portion of the proceeds of the Tax-Exempt Bonds to pay the principal of or interest or redemption premium on, any other obligation of the Board or a related person.

(b) The Board will not directly or indirectly take any action, or omit to take any action, which action or omission would cause the Tax-Exempt Bonds to constitute "private activity bonds" within the meaning of Section 141(a) of the Code.

(c) Principal of and interest on the Tax-Exempt Bonds will be paid solely from Pledged Revenues collected by the Board and investment earnings on such collections.

(d) Based upon all facts and estimates now known or reasonably expected to be in existence on the date the Tax-Exempt Bonds are delivered, the Board reasonably expects that the

proceeds of the Tax-Exempt Bonds will not be used in a manner that would cause the Tax-Exempt Bonds or any portion thereof to be an "arbitrage bond" within the meaning of Section 148 of the Code.

(e) At all times while the Tax-Exempt Bonds are outstanding, the Board will identify and properly account for all amounts constituting gross proceeds of the Tax-Exempt Bonds in accordance with the Regulations. The Board will monitor the yield on the investments of the proceeds of the Tax-Exempt Bonds and, to the extent required by the Code and the Regulations, will restrict the yield on such investments to a yield which is not materially higher than the yield on the Tax-Exempt Bonds. To the extent necessary to prevent the Tax-Exempt Bonds from constituting "arbitrage bonds," the Board will make such payments as are necessary to cause the yield on all yield restricted nonpurpose investments allocable to the Tax-Exempt Bonds to be less than the yield that is materially higher than the yield on the Tax-Exempt Bonds.

(f) The Board will not take any action or knowingly omit to take any action that, if taken or omitted, would cause the Tax-Exempt Bonds to be treated as "federally guaranteed" obligations for purposes of Section 149(b) of the Code.

The Board represents that not more than fifty percent (50%) of the proceeds of the (g) Tax-Exempt Bonds will be invested in nonpurpose investments (as defined in Section 148(f)(6)(A) of the Code) having a substantially guaranteed yield for four years or more within the meaning of Section 149(g)(3)(A)(ii) of the Code, and the Board reasonably expects that at least eighty-five percent (85%) of the spendable proceeds of the Tax-Exempt Bonds will be used to carry out the governmental purpose of the Tax-Exempt Bonds within the three-year period beginning on the date of issue of the Tax-Exempt Bonds. The Board further represents that not more than fifty percent (50%) of the proceeds of the Refunded Bonds and the Refunded Notes (to the extent such bonds and notes are refunded with the proceeds of Tax-Exempt Bonds) were invested in nonpurpose investments (as defined in Section 148(f)(6)(A) of the Code) having a substantially guaranteed yield for four years or more within the meaning of Section 149(g)(3)(A)(ii) of the Code, and on the date of issue of such Refunded Bonds and Refunded Notes, the Board reasonably expected that at least eighty-five percent (85%) of the spendable proceeds of such Refunded Bonds and Refunded Notes would be used to carry out the governmental purpose of such Refunded Bonds and Refunded Notes within the three-year period beginning on the date of issue of such Refunded Bonds and Refunded Notes.

(h) The Board will take all necessary steps to comply with the requirement that certain amounts earned by the Board on the investment of the gross proceeds of the Tax-Exempt Bonds, if any, be rebated to the federal government. Specifically, the Board will (i) maintain records regarding the receipt, investment, and expenditure of the gross proceeds of the Tax-Exempt Bonds as may be required to calculate such excess arbitrage profits separately from records of amounts on deposit in the funds and accounts of the Board allocable to other obligations of the Board or moneys which do not represent gross proceeds of any obligations of the Board and retain such records for at least six years after the day on which the last outstanding Bond is discharged, (ii) account for all gross proceeds under a reasonable, consistently applied method of accounting, not employed as an artifice or device to avoid in whole or in part, the requirements of Section 148 of the Code, including any specified method of accounting required by applicable Regulations to be used for all or a portion of any gross proceeds, (iii) calculate, at such times as are required by

applicable Regulations, the amount of excess arbitrage profits, if any, earned from the investment of the gross proceeds of the Tax-Exempt Bonds and (iv) timely pay, as required by applicable Regulations, all amounts required to be rebated to the federal government. In addition, the Board will exercise reasonable diligence to assure that no errors are made in the calculations required by the preceding sentence and, if such an error is made, to discover and promptly correct such error within a reasonable amount of time thereafter, including payment to the federal government of any delinquent amounts owed to it, interest thereon and any penalty.

(i) The Board will not directly or indirectly pay any amount otherwise payable to the federal government pursuant to the foregoing requirements to any person other than the federal government by entering into any investment arrangement with respect to the gross proceeds of the Tax-Exempt Bonds that might result in a reduction in the amount required to be paid to the federal government because such arrangement results in a smaller profit or a larger loss than would have resulted if such arrangement had been at arm's length and had the yield on the Tax-Exempt Bonds not been relevant to either party.

(j) The Board will timely file or cause to be filed with the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States the information required by Section 149(e) of the Code with respect to the Tax-Exempt Bonds on such form and in such place as the Secretary may prescribe.

(k) The Board will not issue or use the Tax-Exempt Bonds as part of an "abusive arbitrage device" (as defined in Section 1.148-10(a) of the Regulations). Without limiting the foregoing, the Tax-Exempt Bonds are not and will not be a part of a transaction or series of transactions that attempts to circumvent the provisions of Section 148 of the Code and the Regulations, by (i) enabling the Board to exploit the difference between tax-exempt and taxable interest rates to gain a material financial advantage, or (ii) increasing the burden on the market for tax-exempt obligations.

(1) Proper officers of the Board charged with the responsibility for issuing the Tax-Exempt Bonds are hereby directed to make, execute and deliver certifications as to facts, estimates or circumstances in existence as of the date of issuance of the Tax-Exempt Bonds and stating whether there are facts, estimates or circumstances that would materially change the Board's expectations. On or after the date of issuance of the Tax-Exempt Bonds, the Board will take such actions as are necessary and appropriate to assure the continuous accuracy of the representations contained in such certificates.

(m) The covenants and representations made or required by this Section are for the benefit of the Bond holders and any subsequent Bond holder, and may be relied upon by the Bond holders and any subsequent Bond holder and bond counsel to the Board.

In complying with the foregoing covenants, the Board may rely upon an unqualified opinion issued to the Board by nationally recognized bond counsel that any action by the Board or reliance upon any interpretation of the Code or Regulations contained in such opinion will not cause interest on the Tax-Exempt Bonds to be includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes under existing law.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement, the Board's representations and obligations under the covenants and provisions of this Section shall survive the defeasance and discharge of the Tax-Exempt Bonds for as long as such matters are relevant to the exclusion of interest on the Tax-Exempt Bonds from the gross income of the owners for federal income tax purposes.

#### Section 13. CONTINUING DISCLOSURE UNDERTAKING.

Annual Reports. The Board shall provide annually to the MSRB, in an electronic (a) format as prescribed by the MSRB, within six (6) months after the end of each Fiscal Year, financial information and operating data with respect to The Texas A&M University System, including the Annual Financial Report of The Texas A&M University System, as determined by the Designated Financial Officer at the time the Bonds are sold. The Award Certificate shall specify such financial information and operating data. Any financial statements with respect to The Texas A&M University System so to be provided shall be (1) prepared on an accrual basis, or such other basis as the Board may be required to employ from time to time pursuant to state law or regulation, and (2) audited, if the Board commissions an audit of such statements and the audit is completed within the period during which they must be provided. If audited financial statements are not so provided within the required period, then the Board shall provide unaudited financial statements for the applicable Fiscal Year to the MSRB, in an electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB, and shall file audited financial statements when and if audited financial statements become available. If audited financial statements are not prepared for any Fiscal Year and audited financial statements are prepared with respect to the State of Texas for such Fiscal Year, the Board shall provide, or cause to be provided, the audited financial statements of the State of Texas for the applicable Fiscal Year to the MSRB, in an electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB, within six (6) months after the end of said Fiscal Year or as soon thereafter as such audited financial statements become available from the State Auditor of the State of Texas. Any such audited financial statements of the State of Texas so provided shall be prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for state governments, as such principles may be changed from time to time to comply with state law.

If the Board changes the Fiscal Year, the Board will notify the MSRB of the change (and of the date of the new Fiscal Year end) prior to the next date by which the Board otherwise would be required to provide financial information and operating data pursuant to this Section.

The financial information and operating data to be provided pursuant to this Subsection may be set forth in full in one or more documents or may be included by specific reference to any document that is available to the public on the MSRB's internet web site or filed with the SEC. All documents provided to the MSRB pursuant to this subsection shall be accompanied by identifying information as prescribed by the MSRB.

The Board shall notify the MSRB, in a timely manner, of any failure by the Board to provide financial information or operating data in accordance with this subsection by the time required.

(b) <u>Event Notices</u>. The Board shall notify the MSRB, in an electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB, in a timely manner not in excess of ten (10) business days after the

occurrence of the event, of any of the following events with respect to the Bonds: (i) principal and interest payment delinquencies; (ii) non-payment related defaults, if material; (iii) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties; (iv) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties; (v) substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform; (vi) adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the Bonds, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Bonds; (vii) modifications to rights of holders of the Bonds, if material; (viii) bond calls, if material, and tender offers; (ix) defeasances; (x) release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Bonds, if material; (xi) rating changes; (xii) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the obligated person; (xiii) the consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving an obligated person or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the obligated person, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material; (xiv) the appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material, (xv) incurrence of a Financial Obligation of the Board, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a Financial Obligation of the Board, any of which affect security holders, if material; and (xvi) default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a Financial Obligation of the Board, any of which reflect financial difficulties.

As used in clause (xii), above, the phrase "bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event" means the appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent or similar officer for the System in a proceeding under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or in any other proceeding under state or federal law in which a court or governmental authority has assumed jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the System, or if jurisdiction has been assumed by leaving the System in possession but subject to the supervision and orders of a court or governmental authority, or the entry of an order confirming a plan of reorganization, arrangement or liquidation by a court or governmental authority having supervision or jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the System. The Board intends the words used in clauses (xv) and (xvi), above, and the definition of Financial Obligation in this Section to have the same meanings as when they are used in the Rule, as evidenced by SEC Release No. 34-83885, dated August 20, 2018.

(c) <u>Identifying Information</u>. All information and notices shall be provided to the MSRB in an electronic format, as prescribed by the MSRB, and all documents provided to the MSRB pursuant to this Section shall be accompanied by identifying information, as prescribed by the MSRB.

(d) <u>Limitations, Disclaimers, and Amendments</u>. The Board shall be obligated to observe and perform the covenants specified in this Section for so long as, but only for so long as, the Board remains an "obligated person" with respect to the Bonds within the meaning of the Rule, except that the Board in any event will give the notice required by Section 4 of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement of any Bond calls and defeasance that cause the Bonds to no longer be outstanding.

The provisions of this Section are for the sole benefit of the holders and beneficial owners of the Bonds, and nothing in this Section, express or implied, shall give any benefit or any legal or

equitable right, remedy, or claim hereunder to any other person. The Board undertakes to provide only the financial information, operating data, financial statements, and notices which it has expressly agreed to provide pursuant to this subsection and does not hereby undertake to provide any other information that may be relevant or material to a complete presentation of the Board's financial results, condition, or prospects, or hereby undertake to update any information provided in accordance with this subsection or otherwise, except as expressly provided herein. The Board does not make any representation or warranty concerning such information or its usefulness to a decision to invest in or sell Bonds at any future date.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHALL THE BOARD BE LIABLE TO THE HOLDER OR BENEFICIAL OWNER OF ANY BOND OR ANY OTHER PERSON, IN CONTRACT OR TORT, FOR DAMAGES RESULTING IN WHOLE OR IN PART FROM ANY BREACH BY THE BOARD, WHETHER NEGLIGENT OR WITHOUT FAULT ON ITS PART, OF ANY COVENANT SPECIFIED IN THIS SECTION, BUT EVERY RIGHT AND REMEDY OF ANY SUCH PERSON, IN CONTRACT OR TORT, FOR OR ON ACCOUNT OF ANY SUCH BREACH SHALL BE LIMITED TO AN ACTION FOR MANDAMUS OR SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE.

No default by the Board in observing or performing its obligations under this Section shall constitute a breach of or default under this Thirty-Fourth Supplement for purposes of any other provision of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement.

Should the Rule be amended to obligate the Board to make filings with or provide notices to entities other than the MSRB, the Board hereby agrees to undertake such obligation with respect to the Bonds in accordance with the Rule as amended.

Nothing in this Section is intended or shall act to disclaim, waive, or otherwise limit the duties of the Board under federal and State securities laws.

The provisions of this Section may be amended by the Board from time to time to adapt to changed circumstances that arise from a change in legal requirements, a change in law, or a change in the identity, nature, status, or type of operations of the Board, but only if (i) the provisions of this Section, as so amended, would have permitted an underwriter to purchase or sell Bonds in the primary offering of the Bonds in compliance with the Rule, taking into account any amendments or interpretations of the Rule to the date of such amendment, as well as such changed circumstances, and (ii) either (A) the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount (or any greater amount required by any other provision of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement that authorizes such an amendment) of the outstanding Bonds consent to such amendment or (B) a person that is unaffiliated with the Board (such as nationally-recognized bond counsel) determines that such amendment will not materially impair the interests of the holders and beneficial owners of the Bonds. If the Board so amends the provisions of this Section, it shall include with any amended financial information or operating data next provided in accordance with this Section an explanation, in narrative form, of the reasons for the amendment and of the impact of any change in the type of financial information or operating data so provided. The Board may also amend or repeal the provisions of this continuing disclosure requirement if the SEC amends or repeals the applicable provisions of the Rule or a court of final jurisdiction enters judgment that such provisions of the Rule are invalid, but only if and to the extent that the provisions of this sentence

would not prevent an underwriter from lawfully purchasing or selling Bonds in the primary offering of the Bonds.

(e) <u>Modification of Undertaking</u>. For the avoidance of doubt, the authority conferred on the Designated Financial Officer pursuant to Section 3(b) of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement to determine and fix terms, provisions, details and matters relating to the Bonds includes the authority to modify the terms of this Section by specification of such modification in the Award Certificate for the Bonds.

Section 14. **THIRTY-FOURTH SUPPLEMENT** TO **CONSTITUTE** Α CONTRACT; EQUAL SECURITY. In consideration of the acceptance of the Bonds, the issuance of which is authorized hereunder, by those who shall hold the same from time to time, this Thirty-Fourth Supplement shall be deemed to be and shall constitute a contract between the Board and the Holders from time to time of the Bonds and the pledge made in this Thirty-Fourth Supplement by the Board and the covenants and agreements set forth in this Thirty-Fourth Supplement to be performed by the Board shall be for the equal and proportionate benefit, security, and protection of all Holders, without preference, priority, or distinction as to security or otherwise of any of the Bonds authorized hereunder over any of the others by reason of time of issuance, sale, or maturity thereof or otherwise for any cause whatsoever, except as expressly provided in or permitted by this Thirty-Fourth Supplement.

**Section 15. SEVERABILITY OF INVALID PROVISIONS**. If any one or more of the covenants, agreements, or provisions herein contained shall be held contrary to any express provisions of law or contrary to the policy of express law, though not expressly prohibited, or against public policy, or shall for any reason whatsoever be held invalid, then such covenants, agreements, or provisions shall be null and void and shall be deemed separable from the remaining covenants, agreements, or provisions and shall in no way affect the validity of any of the other provisions hereof or of the Bonds issued hereunder.

**Section 16. PAYMENT AND PERFORMANCE ON BUSINESS DAYS**. Except as provided to the contrary in the FORM OF BONDS, whenever under the terms of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement or the Bonds, the performance date of any provision hereof or thereof, including the payment of principal of or interest on the Bonds, shall occur on a day other than a Business Day, then the performance thereof, including the payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds, need not be made on such day but may be performed or paid, as the case may be, on the next succeeding Business Day with the same force and effect as if made on the date of performance or payment.

Section 17. LIMITATION OF BENEFITS WITH RESPECT TO THE THIRTY-FOURTH SUPPLEMENT. With the exception of the rights or benefits herein expressly conferred, nothing expressed or contained herein or implied from the provisions of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement or the Bonds is intended or should be construed to confer upon or give to any person other than the Board, the Holders, and the Paying Agent/Registrar, any legal or equitable right, remedy, or claim under or by reason of or in respect to this Thirty-Fourth Supplement or any covenant, condition, stipulation, promise, agreement, or provision herein contained. This Thirty-Fourth Supplement and all of the covenants, conditions, stipulations, promises, agreements, and provisions hereof are intended to be and shall be for and inure to the sole and exclusive benefit of the Board, the Holders, and the Paying Agent/Registrar as herein and therein provided.

CUSTODY, APPROVAL, BOND COUNSEL'S OPINION, CUSIP Section 18. NUMBERS, PREAMBLE AND INSURANCE. The Designated Financial Officer is hereby authorized to have control of the Bonds issued hereunder and all necessary records and proceedings pertaining to the Bonds pending their delivery and approval by the Attorney General of the State of Texas of the proceedings authorizing the Bonds in accordance with Chapter 1371, Texas Government Code, as amended. The Designated Financial Officer is also authorized to request that the Attorney General approve the Bonds and that the Comptroller of Public Accounts register the Bonds, and to cause an appropriate legend reflecting such approval and registration to appear on the Bonds and the substitute Bonds. The approving legal opinion of Bond Counsel and the assigned CUSIP numbers may, at the option of the Board, be printed on the Bonds and on any Bonds issued and delivered in exchange or replacement of any Bond, but neither shall have any legal effect, and shall be solely for the convenience and information of the Registered Owners of the Bonds. The preamble to this Thirty-Fourth Supplement is hereby adopted and made a part of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement for all purposes. If insurance is obtained on any of the Bonds, the Bonds shall bear, as appropriate and applicable, a legend concerning insurance as provided by the Insurer.

# Section 19. REFUNDING OF REFUNDED OBLIGATIONS; ESCROW AGREEMENTS.

(a) Concurrently with the delivery of Bonds issued to refund Refunded Notes, the Designated Financial Officer shall cause to be deposited with the Issuing and Paying Agent for the Refunded Notes or with an Escrow Agent selected by the Designated Financial Officer, from the proceeds from the sale of such Series of Bonds and other legally available funds, an amount sufficient to provide for the refunding and defeasance of such Refunded Notes. In the event it is deemed necessary, the Designated Financial Officer is hereby authorized to select one or more Escrow Agent(s) with respect to the Refunded Notes and to enter into one or more Escrow Agreements. The Designated Financial Officer is further authorized and directed to apply and there is hereby appropriated such moneys of the Board as are necessary (i) to provide for the defeasance of such Refunded Notes on the date of delivery of the Bonds or (ii) to fund the Escrow Fund to be created pursuant to the Escrow Agreement(s) with amounts sufficient to provide for the Refunded Notes.

(b) Concurrently with the delivery of each Series of Bonds issued in whole or in part to refund Refunded Bonds, the Designated Financial Officer shall cause to be deposited with the paying agent/registrar for the Refunded Bonds or Escrow Agent selected by the Designated Financial Officer, from the proceeds from the sale of such Series of Bonds and other legally available funds, an amount sufficient to provide for the refunding and defeasance of such Refunded Bonds in accordance with Chapter 1207, Texas Government Code, as amended. In the event it is deemed necessary, the Designated Financial Officer is hereby authorized to select one or more Escrow Agent(s) with respect to the Refunded Bonds and to enter into one or more Escrow Agreements. The Designated Financial Officer is further authorized and directed to apply and there is hereby appropriated such moneys of the Board as are necessary (i) to provide for the defeasance of such Refunded Bonds on the date of delivery of the Bonds or (ii) to fund the Escrow

Fund to be created pursuant to the Escrow Agreement(s) with amounts sufficient to provide for the defeasance of the Refunded Bonds.

(c) With regard to issuance of any Series of Bonds constituting Refunding Bonds, as provided in Section 2(b) above, the Designated Financial Officer shall designate in the Award Certificate the particular Potential Refunded Bonds to be refunded by such Series of Bonds; provided, that the Award Certificate in which Refunded Bonds are so designated must contain a certification to the effect that the Bonds of such Series being issued to refund such Refunded Bonds are being sold on terms that produce present value savings as required by Section 3(b) hereof.

(d) Subject to the designation by the Designated Financial Officer of the Refunded Bonds to be refunded by a Series of Bonds, the Board irrevocably calls the particular Potential Refunded Bonds constituting Refunded Bonds for redemption prior to maturity on the date(s) and at the price(s) set forth in the Award Certificate.

The Designated Financial Officer, acting for and on behalf of the Board, shall provide for notice of such redemption to be given in accordance with the resolution(s) of the Board authorizing the Refunded Bonds.

(e) To assure the purchase of the "Escrowed Securities" referred to in the respective Escrow Agreements for the Refunded Notes or the Refunded Bonds, the Designated Financial Officer, acting for and on behalf of the Board, is hereby authorized to subscribe for, agree to purchase and purchase "Government Obligations," as defined in resolutions authorizing the Refunded Notes or the resolutions authorizing the Refunded Bonds, in such amounts and maturities and bearing interest at such rates as may be provided for in such Escrow Agreement, and to execute any and all subscriptions, purchase agreements, commitments, letters of authorization and other documents necessary to effectuate the foregoing, and is authorized to create and fund (or cause to be created and funded) the "Escrow Fund" contemplated by such Escrow Agreement through the use of the proceeds of the Series of Bonds issued to refund the Refunded Notes or the Refunded Bonds, the moneys and investments held in the fund securing the Refunded Notes or the Refunded Bonds, and other lawfully available moneys of the Board.

(f) To satisfy in a timely manner all of the Board's obligations under this Thirty-Fourth Supplement and the Escrow Agreement(s), the Designated Financial Officer and all other appropriate officers and agents of the Board are hereby severally authorized and directed for and on behalf of the Board to take all other actions that are reasonably necessary to provide for the refunding of the Refunded Notes or the Refunded Bonds, including, without limitation, executing and delivering for and on behalf of the Board all certificates, consents, receipts, requests and other documents as may be reasonably necessary to satisfy the Board's obligations under the Escrow Agreement(s) and this Thirty-Fourth Supplement and to direct the transfer and application of funds of the Board consistent with the provisions of such Escrow Agreement(s) and this Thirty-Fourth Supplement.

### Section 20. APPLICATION OF BOND PROCEEDS.

(a) Proceeds from the sale of the Bonds shall, promptly upon receipt thereof, be applied by the Designated Financial Officer, as follows: (i) accrued interest for the Bonds shall be deposited as provided in Section 9 hereof; (ii) an amount sufficient to accomplish the purposes of Section 19 hereof shall be so applied; (iii) an amount sufficient to pay the cost of acquiring, purchasing, constructing, improving, enlarging and equipping the property, facilities and improvements being financed with the proceeds of the Bonds shall be deposited in the Board's accounts to be used for such purposes; (iv) the amount of any premium received as a portion of the purchase price of the Bonds issued to finance improvements or facilities to be financed pursuant to Section 55.17 Authorization that is not to be counted against the authorized amount of bonds that can be issued pursuant to such Section 55.17 Authorization, shall, except as otherwise allowed by state law, including Sections 1201.042 and 1201.029 of the Texas Government Code, be credited to a special account to be held to pay interest on the Bonds on the first interest payment date; and (v) any proceeds from the sale of the Bonds remaining after the deposits provided for in clauses (i) through (iv) above, shall be applied to pay expenses arising in connection with the issuance of the Bonds and the refunding of the Refunded Obligations.

Any sale proceeds of Bonds remaining after making all deposits and payments provided for above shall be applied to the payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds.

(b) Additional projects may be added to the list of projects included in the Award Certificate pursuant to Section 3 hereof and the amount of the proceeds of the Bonds allocated to each project may be reallocated to other projects in the list (such reallocation may also result in the removal of any such project), and therefore be financed or refinanced with the proceeds of the Bonds upon satisfaction of the following conditions:

(i) the project has received any required approval or review of the Higher Education Coordinating Board to the extent and as required by the provisions of Section 61.058 of the Texas Education Code;

(ii) the Board shall have approved the construction of the project and made the findings required by Section 5 of the Master Resolution relating to the issuance of Parity Obligations to finance the cost of the project;

(iii) with respect to Tax-Exempt Bonds, the Board shall have received an opinion of Bond Counsel with respect to the Revenue Financing System, to the effect that the amendment of the exhibit, or the financing or refinancing of the project, and the expenditure of the proceeds of the Tax-Exempt Bonds to pay the cost of project will not adversely affect the treatment of interest on the Tax-Exempt Bonds for federal income tax purposes; and

(iv) the Designated Financial Officer shall execute and deliver a certificate to the Executive Director, Board of Regents certifying (a) that the requirements of subsection (b)(i), (ii), and (iii) of this Section have been satisfied and having attached to such certificate copies of the documents referred to in those subsections and (b) that, to the extent that the list of projects set forth in the Award Certificate or the allocation of proceeds set forth in the Award Certificate to finance or refinance improvements and facilities pursuant to Section 55.17 Authorization have been changed, the Board is in compliance with the requirements and limitations of such sections of the Education Code. A copy of the certificate shall be filed in the minutes of the Board with the Award Certificate.

#### Section 21. FURTHER PROCEDURES.

(a) The Chairman, Vice Chairman and Executive Director, Board of Regents, and each member of the Board, the Designated Financial Officer, and all other officers, employees, and agents of the Board, and each of them, shall be and they are hereby expressly authorized, empowered, and directed from time to time and at any time to do and perform all such acts and things and to execute, acknowledge, and deliver in the name and under the corporate seal and on behalf of the Board all such instruments, whether or not herein mentioned, as may be necessary or desirable in order to carry out the terms and provisions of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement, the Award Certificate, the Representation Letter, the Bonds, the sale and delivery of the Bonds and fixing all details in connection therewith, and the refunding of the Refunded Obligations. In addition, the Designated Financial Officer is authorized to submit a notice of intent to the Texas Bond Review Board requesting the approval of the issuance of the Bonds if such approval is required by law.

(b) In case any officer whose signature shall appear on the Bonds shall cease to be such officer before the delivery of the Bonds, such signature shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes the same as if such officer had remained in office until such delivery.

(c) The Board hereby determines that (i) designating the number of this Supplemental Resolution is a ministerial act and (ii) the number of this Supplemental Resolution shall be revised at the direction of the Designated Financial Officer to conform the number of this Supplemental Resolution in relation to the actual sequence of the Board's approval of this Supplemental Resolution(s). In addition, the Designated Financial Officer, General Counsel, and Bond Counsel are hereby authorized to approve, subsequent to the date of the adoption of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement, any amendments to the above named documents, and any technical amendments to this Thirty-Fourth Supplement as may be required by a Nationally-Recognized Rating Agency as a condition to the granting of a rating on the Bonds.

**Section 22. APPROVAL OF NOTICE OF SALE AND OFFICIAL STATEMENT**. The Designated Financial Officer is authorized and directed to provide for and oversee the preparation of a notice of sale, if appropriate, a preliminary Official Statement and a final Official Statement in connection with the issuance of each Series of the Bonds, and to approve such official statement and deem it final in compliance with the Rule and to provide it to the purchasers of the Bonds in compliance with such Rule.

**Section 23. DTC LETTER OF REPRESENTATIONS**. The Designated Financial Officer is authorized to execute the Representation Letter and implement the Book-Entry-Only System of Bond registration with respect to the Bonds pursuant to the Representation Letter. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, while the Bonds are subject to DTC's Book-Entry-Only-System and to the extent permitted by law, the Representation Letter is hereby incorporated herein and its provisions shall prevail over any other provisions of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement in the event of conflict. Provisions relating to DTC, its Book-Entry-Only System of registration, and the Representation Letter are detailed in Section 5(h) of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement.

#### Section 24. ADDITIONAL DEFEASANCE PROVISIONS.

(a) In addition to the defeasance provisions set forth in Section 12 of the Master Resolution, it is hereby provided that, to the extent that the Bonds are treated as Defeased Debt for purposes of Section 12 of the Master Resolution, any determination not to redeem Defeased Debt that is made in conjunction with the payment arrangements specified in Section 12(a)(i) or (ii) of the Master Resolution shall not be irrevocable, provided that: (1) in the proceedings providing for such defeasance, the Board expressly reserves the right to call the Defeased Bonds for redemption; (2) gives notice of the reservation of that right to the owners of the Defeased Bonds immediately following the defeasance; (3) directs that notice of the reservation be included in any redemption notices that it authorizes; and (4) at or prior to the time of the redemption, satisfies the conditions of subsection (a) of Section 12 of the Master Resolution with respect to such Defeased Debt as though it was being defeased at the time of the exercise of the option to redeem the Defeased Debt, after taking the redemption into account in determining the sufficiency of the provisions made for the payment of the Defeased Debt.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 12(c) of the Master Resolution and except as otherwise provided in the Award Certificate for the Bonds, in connection with the defeasance of the Bonds pursuant to Section 12 of the Master Resolution, the term Government Obligations shall mean (i) direct, noncallable obligations of the United States of America, including obligations that are unconditionally guaranteed by the United States of America (including Interest Strips of the Resolution Funding Corporation), (ii) noncallable obligations of an agency or instrumentality of the United States of America, including obligations that are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by the agency or instrumentality and that, on the date the Board adopts or approves proceedings authorizing the issuance of refunding bonds or otherwise provide for the funding of an escrow to effect the defeasance of the Bonds are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than "AAA" or its equivalent, and (iii) noncallable obligations of a state or an agency or a county, municipality, or other political subdivision of a state that have been refunded and that, on the date the Board adopts or approves proceedings authorizing the issuance of refunding bonds or otherwise provide for the funding of an escrow to effect the defeasance of the Bonds, are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than "AAA" or its equivalent.

(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 12 of the Master Resolution, the Board may provide for the irrevocable deposit contemplated by Section 12 of the Master Resolution to be made with the Paying Agent/Registrar or with any other eligible bank or trust company as then authorized by state law.

(d) Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 12 of the Master Resolution or any of the other provisions of this Section, any Taxable Bonds issued under this Thirty-Fourth Supplement may be designated by the Designated Financial Officer in the Award Certificate as not being subject to defeasance to the extent that such Designated Financial Officer determines in the Award Certificate that such treatment is in the best economic interests of the Board.

Section 25. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING RESOLUTIONS. All resolutions and all parts of any resolutions which are in conflict or are inconsistent with this Thirty-Fourth

Supplement are hereby repealed and shall be of no further force or effect to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency.

**DEFEASANCE OF OUTSTANDING PARITY OBLIGATIONS.** The Section 26. Board desires to authorize the use of certain lawfully available funds of the Board, as determined by the Designated Financial Officer, to defease and refund, from time to time, certain outstanding Parity Obligations previously issued by the Board in accordance with the applicable defeasance provisions in the respective Supplemental Resolutions that authorized the issuance of such Parity Obligations. The Designated Financial Officer is hereby authorized to determine and retire, from time to time, the various portions of such outstanding Parity Obligations which are economically advantageous for Board to retire by the defeasance of such debt. The Designated Financial Officer is authorized to enter into one or more Escrow Agreements to accomplish such defeasances. In the event of such a defeasance, the Designated Financial Officer is authorized hereby to take such steps as may be necessary to purchase the escrowed securities identified in such Escrow Agreements on behalf of the Board and is authorized to create and fund the escrow funds contemplated by the Escrow Agreements through the use of the lawfully available funds of the The Designated Financial Officer is authorized to call for redemption such Parity Board. Obligations defeased pursuant to this Section and is hereby authorized to provide and complete an appropriate notice of redemption to the paying agent(s) for such Parity Obligations in anticipation of or upon the deposit with the Escrow Agent of such available funds and compliance with the conditions set forth in the Escrow Agreements.

**Section 27. PUBLIC NOTICE**. It is hereby found and determined that each of the officers and members of the Board was duly and sufficiently notified officially and personally, in advance, of the time, place, and purpose of the meeting at which this Thirty-Fourth Supplemental Resolution was adopted, and that this Thirty-Fourth Supplemental Resolution would be introduced and considered for adoption at said meeting; that said meeting was open to the public, and public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given, all as required by Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.

#### **EXHIBIT** A

#### DEFINITIONS

As used in this Thirty-Fourth Supplement the following terms and expressions shall have the meanings set forth below, unless the text hereof specifically indicates otherwise:

The term "Acts" means, collectively, Chapter 55, Texas Education Code, as amended, and Chapters 1207 and 1371, Texas Government Code, as amended.

The term "Authorized Denomination" means \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof with respect to Current Interest Bonds and \$5,000 in Maturity Amount or any integral multiple thereof with respect to Capital Appreciation Bonds, except as otherwise provided in the Award Certificate for each Series of Bonds.

The term "Award Certificate" means the certificate executed by the Designated Financial Officer in connection with each Series of Bonds which establishes the terms of the Bonds delivered pursuant to Section 3 of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement.

The terms "Board" and "Issuer" mean the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System or any successor thereto.

The term "Bond Counsel" means Winstead PC or such other nationally-recognized firm designated by the Board as Bond Counsel for purposes of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement.

The term "Bond Purchase Contract" means the Board's agreement with underwriters providing for the sale of a Series of Bonds as authorized by Section 2(c) hereof, provided that two or more Series of Bonds may be sold to the same underwriters pursuant to the terms of a single Bond Purchase Contract.

The term "Bonds" means, collectively, the Bonds issued pursuant to this Supplemental Resolution, and all substitute bonds exchanged therefor, and all other substitute and replacement bonds issued pursuant to this Supplemental Resolution; and the term "Bond" means any of the Bonds.

The term "Bond Year" means the period beginning on June 2 of any calendar year and continuing through June 1 of the following calendar year.

The term "Business Day" means any day other than a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, or a day on which banking institutions in either the State of New York or the State of Texas are authorized by law or executive order to close.

The term "Capital Appreciation Bonds" means the Bonds on which no interest is paid prior to maturity, maturing variously in each of the years and in the aggregate principal amount and Maturity Amount as set forth in the Award Certificate.

The term "Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

The term "Compounded Amount" means, with respect to a Capital Appreciation Bond, as of any particular date of calculation, the original principal amount thereof, plus all interest accrued and compounded to the particular date of calculation, as determined in accordance with Section 4 of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement and the Compounded Amount Table relating to such Bonds.

The term "Compounded Amount Table" means, with respect to the Capital Appreciation Bonds, the Compounded Amount Table as defined in Section 4 of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement.

The term "Compounding Dates" means Compounding Dates as defined in Section 4 of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement.

The term "Current Interest Bonds" means the Bonds paying current interest and maturing in each of the years and in the aggregate principal amounts set forth in the Award Certificate.

The term "Definitive Bonds" means the Bonds issued in exchange for the Initial Bond.

The term "Designated Financial Officer" means each Designated Financial Officer under the Master Resolution and shall include the Chancellor, the Deputy Chancellor and Chief Financial Officer, the Chief Investment Officer and Treasurer, the Deputy Chief Investment Officer, or an officer who has assumed the duties of any of the foregoing named officers, or such other officer or employee of the System authorized by the Board to act as a Designated Financial Officer.

The term "DTC" means The Depository Trust Company of New York, New York, New York, or any successor securities depository.

The term "DTC Participant" means securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations on whose behalf DTC was created to hold securities to facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions among DTC Participants.

The term "Escrow Agent" means each Escrow Agent selected pursuant to Section 19 hereof.

The term "Financial Obligation" means a (a) debt obligation; (b) derivative instrument entered into in connection with, or pledged as security or a source of payment for, an existing or planned debt obligation; or (c) guarantee of a debt obligation or any such derivative instrument; provided that "financial obligation" shall not include municipal securities (as defined in the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) as to which a final official statement (as defined in the Rule) has been provided to the MSRB consistent with the Rule.

The term "Initial Bond" means the Bond initially delivered hereunder and upon which the registration certificate, manually executed by or on behalf of the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas, has been placed.

The term "Issuance Date" means the date of delivery of Bonds to the initial purchaser or purchasers thereof against payment therefor.

The term "MSRB" shall mean the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board.

The term "Master Resolution" means the Master Resolution Establishing The Texas A&M University System Revenue Financing System adopted by the Board on November 19, 1990, as amended on September 17, 1993 and July 25, 1997.

The term "Maturity" means the date on which the principal of a Bond becomes due and payable as therein and herein provided, whether at Stated Maturity, by redemption, declaration of acceleration or otherwise.

The term "Maturity Amount" means the Compounded Amount of a Capital Appreciation Bond due on its Stated Maturity.

The term "Nationally-Recognized Rating Agency" means any nationally-recognized securities rating agency that provides a rating on the Bonds at the request of the Board.

The term "Official Statement" means the disclosure document describing the Bonds of a Series dated the date of sale pursuant to Section 22 of this Thirty-Fourth Supplement.

The term "Paying Agent/Registrar," "Paying Agent" or "Registrar" means the agent appointed pursuant to Section 5 hereof, or any successor to such agent.

The term "Potential Refunded Bonds" means the outstanding Parity Obligations previously issued by the Board.

The term "Record Date" means, with respect to the Bonds, the last calendar day of each month preceding an interest payment date

The term "Refunded Bonds" means the Potential Refunded Bonds to be refunded by a Series of Bonds as set forth in the Award Certificate.

The term "Refunded Notes" means the Board's Revenue Financing System Commercial Paper Notes, Series B to be refunded by a Series of Bonds as set forth in the Award Certificate.

The term "Refunded Obligations" means, collectively, the Refunded Notes, if any, and the Refunded Bonds, if any, refunded by a Series.

The term "Registration Books" means the books or records relating to the registration, payment and transfer or exchange of the Bonds maintained by the Paying Agent/Registrar pursuant to Section 5 hereof.

The term "Representation Letter" means the Blanket Letter of Representation with DTC regarding the Book Entry Only System.

The term "Rule" means SEC Rule 15c2-12, as amended from time to time.

The term "SEC" means the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

The term "Section 55.17 Authorization" means the statutory authorization provided by the Legislature for Section 55.17 Projects.

The term "Section 55.17 Projects" means the improvements or facilities to be financed or refinanced with Bonds pursuant to Sections 55.1711, 55.1721, 55.1731, 55.1741, 55.17411, 55.1751, 55.1771, 55.1781, and 55.1791 of the Education Code, or similar provisions currently existing or hereafter enacted by the Legislature.

The term "Series" means any designated Series of Bonds issued pursuant to this Thirty-Fourth Supplement.

The term "State" means the State of Texas.

The term "Taxable Bonds" means any Bonds designated by the Designated Financial Officer in the Award Certificate as Taxable Bonds, the interest on which is not intended to be excludable from the gross income of the owners thereof for federal income tax purposes pursuant to section 103 of the Code.

The term "Tax-Exempt Bonds" means any Bonds designated by the Designated Financial Officer in the Award Certificate as Tax-Exempt Bonds, the interest on which is intended to be excludable from the gross income of the owners thereof for federal income tax purposes pursuant to section 103 of the Code.

The term "Thirty-Fourth Supplement" means this Supplemental Resolution authorizing the Bonds.

#### EXHIBIT B

#### FORM OF BONDS

#### **#[FORM OF FIRST TWO PARAGRAPHS OF CURRENT INTEREST BONDS]**

United States of America State of Texas

NUMBER R-\_\_\_ REGISTERED PRINCIPAL AMOUNT \$\_\_\_\_\_ REGISTERED

### BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM REVENUE FINANCING SYSTEM BONDS, SERIES \_\_\_\_\_

| INTEREST RATE | MATURITY DATE | [DATED/ISSUANCE<br>DATE] | CUSIP: |
|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|--------|
| %             | , 20          |                          |        |
|               |               |                          |        |

**REGISTERED OWNER:** 

#### PRINCIPAL AMOUNT:

DOLLARS

ON THE MATURITY DATE specified above the BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM (the "Board"), being an agency of the State of Texas, hereby promises to pay to the registered owner, specified above, or to the registered assignee hereof (either being hereinafter called the "registered owner") the principal amount, specified above, and to pay interest thereon, calculated on the basis of a 360-day year composed of twelve 30-day consecutive months, from the [Dated Date] [Issuance Date], specified above, to the Maturity Date, specified above, or the date of redemption prior to maturity, at the interest rate per annum, specified above, with interest being payable on \_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_, and semiannually on each \_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_ thereafter, except that if the date of authentication of this Bond is later than the first Record Date (hereinafter defined), such principal amount shall bear interest from the interest payment date next preceding the date of authentication, unless such date of authentication is after any Record Date but on or before the next following interest payment date.

in \_\_\_\_\_, which is the "Paying Agent/Registrar" for this Bond. The payment of interest

on this Bond shall be made by the Paying Agent/Registrar to the registered owner hereof on each interest payment date by check, dated as of such interest payment date, drawn by the Paying Agent/Registrar on, and payable solely from, funds of the Board required by the Bond Resolution (hereinafter defined), to be on deposit with the Paying Agent/Registrar for such purpose as hereinafter provided; and such check shall be sent by the Paying Agent/Registrar by United States mail, first-class postage prepaid, on each such interest payment date, to the registered owner hereof, at the address of the registered owner, as it appeared on the last calendar day of the month next preceding each such date (the "Record Date") on the Registration Books kept by the Paying Agent/Registrar, as hereinafter described; provided, that upon the written request of any owner of no less than \$1,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of the Bonds, delivered to the Paying Agent/Registrar not later than the Record Date immediately preceding an interest payment date, interest due on such interest payment date shall be made by wire transfer to any designated account within the United States of America. In addition, interest may be paid by such other method acceptable to the Paying Agent/Registrar, requested by, and at the risk and expense of, the registered owner. Any accrued interest due upon the redemption of this Bond prior to maturity as provided herein shall be paid to the registered owner upon presentation and surrender of this Bond for redemption and payment at the corporate trust office of the Paying Agent/Registrar. The Board covenants with the registered owner of this Bond that on or before each principal payment date, interest payment date, and accrued interest payment date for this Bond it will make available to the Paying Agent/Registrar, from the Pledged Revenues, the amounts required to provide for the payment, in immediately available funds, of all principal of and interest on the Bonds, when due, in the manner set forth in the resolution authorizing the issuance of this Bond adopted by the Board on May 7, 2024 (the "Bond Resolution"). Notwithstanding the foregoing, during any period in which ownership of the Bonds is determined by a book entry at a securities depository for the Bonds, payments made to the securities depository, or its nominee, shall be made in accordance with arrangements between the Board and the securities depository. Terms used herein and not otherwise defined have the meanings given in the Bond Resolution.

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#### ##[FORM OF FIRST TWO PARAGRAPHS OF CAPITAL APPRECIATION BONDS]

NUMBER CR-\_\_ REGISTERED MATURITY AMOUNT \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ REGISTERED

### BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM REVENUE FINANCING SYSTEM BONDS, SERIES \_\_\_\_\_

| INTEREST RATE     | MATURITY DATE | <b>ISSUANCE DATE</b> | CUSIP: |
|-------------------|---------------|----------------------|--------|
| %                 | , 20          |                      |        |
| REGISTERED OWNER: |               |                      |        |

MATURITY AMOUNT:

DOLLARS

ON THE MATURITY DATE specified above, the BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM (the "Board"), being an agency and political subdivision of the State of Texas, hereby promises to pay to the Registered Owner specified above or the registered assignee hereof (either being hereinafter called the "Registered Owner") the Maturity Amount specified above representing the original principal amount hereof and accrued and compounded interest hereon. Interest shall accrete on the original principal amount hereof from the Issuance Date at the interest rate per annum specified above (subject to rounding to the Compounded Amounts as provided in the Bond Resolution), compounded semi-annually on \_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_ of each year, commencing \_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_. For convenience of reference, a table appears on the back of this Bond showing the "Compounded Amount" of the original principal amount per \$5,000 Maturity Amount compounded semi-annually at the yield shown on such table.

THE MATURITY AMOUNT OF this Bond is payable in lawful money of the United States of America, without exchange or collection charges, solely from funds of the Board required by the Bond Resolution to be on deposit with the Paying Agent/Registrar for such purpose as hereinafter provided. The Maturity Amount or Compounded Amount of this Bond shall be paid to the registered owner hereof upon presentation and surrender of this Bond at maturity or upon the date fixed for its redemption prior to maturity, as the case may be, at the corporate trust office of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_\_, which is the "Paying Agent/Registrar" for this Bond. The Board covenants with the registered owner of this Bond that on or before the Maturity Date for this Bond it will make available to the Paying Agent/Registrar, the amount required to provide for the payment, in immediately available funds, of the Maturity Amount when due, in the manner set forth in the resolution "). Notwithstanding the foregoing, during any period in which ownership of the Bonds is determined by a book entry at a securities depository for the Bonds, payments made to the securities depository, or its nominee, shall be made in accordance with

arrangements between the Board and the securities depository. Terms used herein and not otherwise defined have the meaning given in the Bond Resolution.

# [FORM OF REMAINDER OF CURRENT INTEREST BONDS AND CAPITAL APPRECIATION BONDS]

IF THE DATE for the payment of the principal of or interest on this Bond shall be a Saturday, a Sunday, a legal holiday, or a day on which banking institutions in The City of New York, New York, or in the city where the corporate trust office of the Paying Agent/Registrar is located are authorized by law or executive order to close, then the date for such payment shall be the next succeeding day which is not such a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday, or day on which banking institutions are authorized to close; and payment on such date shall have the same force and effect as if made on the original date payment was due.

THIS BOND is one of an issue of Bonds dated \_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_, authorized by the Bond Resolution in the aggregate principal amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ for the purpose of \*[(i) refunding the Refunded Notes and the Refunded Bonds; (ii) providing \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ to pay the cost of acquiring, purchasing, constructing, improving, enlarging, and equipping the property and facilities of the Participants of the Revenue Financing System; and (iii) paying the costs related thereto], ##[and comprised of (i) Bonds in the aggregate principal amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ that pay interest only at maturity (the "Capital Appreciation Bonds") and (ii) Bonds in the aggregate principal amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ that pay interest semiannually until maturity (the "Current Interest Bonds")].

\*\*On \_\_\_\_\_\_, or on any date thereafter, the Bonds scheduled to mature on \_\_\_\_\_, and thereafter may be redeemed prior to their scheduled maturities, at the option of the Board, with funds derived from any available and lawful source, as a whole, or in part, and, if in part, the particular Bonds, or portions thereof, to be redeemed shall be selected and designated by the Board (provided that a portion of a Bond may be redeemed only in an integral multiple redemption of \$5,000), at a price equal to and accrued interest to date fixed for the redemption; provided, that during any period in which ownership of the Bonds is determined by a book entry at a securities depository for the Bonds, if fewer than all of the Bonds of the same maturity and bearing the same interest rate are to be redeemed, the particular Bonds of such maturity and bearing such interest rate shall be selected in accordance with the arrangements between the Board and the securities depository.

\*\*The Bonds of this issue scheduled to mature on \_\_\_\_\_\_ are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption prior to their scheduled maturity and shall be redeemed by the Board, in part, prior to their scheduled maturity, with the particular Bonds or portions thereof to be redeemed to be selected and designated by the Board (provided that a portion of a Bond may be redeemed only in an integral multiple of \$5,000), at a redemption price equal to the par or principal amount thereof and accrued interest to the date of redemption, on the dates, and in the principal amounts, respectively, as set forth in the following schedule:

Bonds Maturing

#### Redemption Date

Principal Amount

\*\*The principal amount of the Bonds required to be redeemed on each such redemption date pursuant to the foregoing operation of the mandatory sinking fund shall be reduced, at the option of the Board, by the principal amount of any Bonds, which, at least 45 days prior to the mandatory sinking fund redemption date, (1) shall have been acquired by the Board and delivered to the Paying Agent/Registrar for cancellation, or (2) shall have been acquired and canceled by the Paying Agent/Registrar at the direction of the Board, in either case of (1) or (2) at a price not exceeding the par or principal amount of such Bonds or (3) have been redeemed pursuant to the optional redemption provisions set forth above and not theretofore credited against a mandatory sinking fund redemption. During any period in which ownership of the Bonds is determined by a book entry at a securities depository for the Bonds, if fewer than all of the Bonds of the same maturity and bearing the same interest rate are to be redeemed, the particular Bonds of such maturity and bearing such interest rate shall be selected in accordance with the arrangements between the Board and the securities depository.

\*\*AT LEAST 30 days prior to the date for any redemption of this Bond prior to maturity, a notice of such redemption also shall be sent by the Paying Agent/Registrar by United States mail, first-class postage prepaid, to the registered owner of each Bond, or portion thereof to be redeemed, at its address as it appeared on the Registration Books on the 45<sup>th</sup> day prior to such redemption date and to major securities depositories, national bond rating agencies, and bond information services; provided, however, that the failure to send, mail, or receive such notice, or any defect therein or in the sending or mailing thereof, shall not affect the validity or effectiveness of the proceedings for the redemption of any Bond. By the date fixed for any such redemption, due provision shall be made by the Board with the Paying Agent/Registrar for the payment of the required redemption price for this Bond or the portion hereof which is to be so redeemed, plus accrued interest thereon to the date fixed for redemption. If such notice of redemption is given, and if due provision for such payment is made, all as provided above, this Bond, or the portion thereof which is to be so redeemed, thereby automatically shall be redeemed prior to its scheduled maturity, and shall not bear interest after the date fixed for its redemption, and shall not be regarded as being outstanding except for the right of the registered owner to receive the redemption price plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption from the Paying Agent/Registrar out of the funds provided for such payment. The Paying Agent/Registrar shall record in the Registration Books all such redemptions of principal of this Bond or any portion hereof. If a portion of any Bond shall be redeemed, a substitute Bond or Bonds having the same maturity date, bearing interest at the same rate, in any denomination or denominations in any integral multiple of \$5,000, at the written request of the registered owner, and in an aggregate principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion thereof, will be issued to the registered owner upon the surrender thereof for cancellation, at the expense of the Board, all as provided in the Bond Resolution.

THIS BOND OR ANY PORTION OR PORTIONS HEREOF IN ANY AUTHORIZED DENOMINATION may be assigned and shall be transferred only in the Registration Books of the Board kept by the Paying Agent/Registrar acting in the capacity of registrar for the Bonds, upon the terms and conditions set forth in the Bond Resolution. Among other requirements for such assignment and transfer, this Bond must be presented and surrendered to the Paying

Agent/Registrar, together with proper instruments of assignment, in form and with guarantee of signatures satisfactory to the Paying Agent/Registrar, evidencing assignment of this Bond or any portion or portions hereof in any authorized denomination to the assignee or assignees in whose name or names this Bond or any such portion or portions hereof is or are to be transferred and registered. The Form of Assignment printed or endorsed on this Bond shall be executed by the registered owner, or its duly authorized attorney or representative, to evidence the assignment hereof. A new Bond or Bonds payable to such assignee or assignees (which then will be the new registered owner or owners of such new Bond or Bonds), or to the previous registered owner in the case of the assignment and transfer of only a portion of this Bond, may be delivered by the Paying Agent/Registrar in exchange for this Bond, all in the form and manner as provided in the next paragraph hereof for the exchange of other Bonds. The Board shall pay the Paying Agent/Registrar's standard or customary fees and charges, if any, for making such transfer or exchange as provided below, but the one requesting such transfer or exchange shall pay any taxes or other governmental charges required to be paid with respect thereto. The Paying Agent/Registrar shall not be required to make transfers of registration or exchange of this Bond or any portion hereof #[(i) with respect to Current Interest Bonds,] during the period commencing with the close of business on any Record Date and ending with the opening of business on the next following principal or interest payment date, or, (ii) with respect to any Bond or any portion thereof called for redemption prior to maturity, within 45 days prior to its redemption date. The registered owner of this Bond shall be deemed and treated by the Board and the Paying Agent/Registrar as the absolute owner hereof for all purposes, including payment and discharge of liability upon this Bond to the extent of such payment, and, to the extent permitted by law, the Board and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall not be affected by any notice to the contrary.

ALL BONDS OF THIS SERIES are issuable solely as fully registered bonds, without interest coupons, #[with respect to the Current Interest Bonds,] in the denomination of any integral multiple of \$5,000 ##[, with respect to Capital Appreciation Bonds, in the denomination of \$5,000 Maturity Amounts or any integral multiple thereof.] As provided in the Bond Resolution, this Bond may, at the request of the registered owner or the assignee or assignees hereof, be exchanged for a like aggregate principal amount of fully registered bonds, without interest coupons, payable to the appropriate registered owner, assignee, or assignees, as the case may be, having the same maturity date, in the same form, and bearing interest at the same rate, in any authorized denomination as requested in writing by the appropriate registered owner, assignees, as the case may be, upon surrender of this Bond to the Paying Agent/Registrar for cancellation, all in accordance with the form and procedures set forth in the Bond Resolution. Whenever the beneficial ownership of this Bond is determined by a book entry at a securities depository for the Bonds, the foregoing requirements of holding, delivering, or transferring this Bond shall be modified to require the appropriate person or entity to meet the requirements of the securities depository as to registering or transferring the book entry to produce the same effect.

IN THE EVENT any Paying Agent/Registrar for the Bonds is changed by the Board, resigns, or otherwise ceases to act as such, the Board has covenanted in the Bond Resolution that it promptly will appoint a competent and legally qualified substitute therefor, and promptly will cause written notice thereof to be mailed to the registered owners of the Bonds.

IT IS HEREBY certified, recited, and covenanted that this Bond has been duly and validly authorized, issued, and delivered; that all acts, conditions, and things required or proper to be

performed, exist, and be done precedent to or in the authorization, issuance, and delivery of this Bond have been performed, existed, and been done in accordance with law; that the Series of Bonds of which this Bond is one constitute Parity Obligations under the Master Resolution; and that the interest on and principal of this Bond, together with the other Bonds of this Series and the other outstanding Parity Obligations are equally and ratably secured by and payable from a lien on and pledge of the Pledged Revenues, subject only to the provisions of Prior Encumbered Obligations, if any.

THE BOARD has reserved the right, subject to the restrictions referred to in the Bond Resolution, (i) to issue additional Parity Obligations which also may be secured by and made payable from a lien on and pledge of the aforesaid Pledged Revenues, in the same manner and to the same extent as this Bond, and (ii) to amend the provisions of the Bond Resolution under the conditions provided in the Bond Resolution.

THE REGISTERED OWNER hereof shall never have the right to demand payment of this Bond or the interest hereon out of any funds raised or to be raised by taxation or from any source whatsoever other than specified in the Bond Resolution.

BY BECOMING the registered owner of this Bond, the registered owner thereby acknowledges all of the terms and provisions of the Bond Resolution, agrees to be bound by such terms and provisions, acknowledges that the Bond Resolution is duly recorded and available for inspection in the official minutes and records of the Board, and agrees that the terms and provisions of this Bond and the Bond Resolution constitute a contract between each registered owner hereof and the Board.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board has caused this Bond to be signed with the manual or facsimile signature of the Chairman or Vice Chairman of the Board and countersigned with the manual or facsimile signature of the Executive Director, Board of Regents, and has caused the official seal of the Board to be duly impressed, or placed in facsimile, on this Bond.

(signature)

Executive Director, Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (signature)

[Vice] Chairman, Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System

(BOARD SEAL)

- \* The use of proceeds provisions shall be conformed to the purposes referenced in the Award Certificate.
- \*\* The redemption provisions shall be conformed to the language relating to redemption in the Award Certificate. Provisions of Bonds related to redemption are to be deleted if the Bonds are not subject to redemption. Any inconsistencies in such provisions shall be resolved in favor of the Award Certificate.
- # For inclusion in Current Interest Bonds if some of the Bonds are issued as Capital Appreciation Bonds.
- ## For inclusion in Capital Appreciation Bonds.

# [INSERTIONS FOR THE INITIAL BONDS]

The Initial Current Interest Bond shall be in the form set forth in this exhibit, except that:

- A. Immediately under the name of the Bond, the headings "INTEREST RATE" and "MATURITY DATE" shall both be completed with the words "As shown below", and the heading "CUSIP NO." shall be deleted.
- B. The first paragraph of the Bond shall be deleted and the following will be inserted (with all blanks and bracketed items to be completed with information contained in the Award Certificate):

"The BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY (the "Board"), being an agency of the State of Texas, hereby promises to pay to the registered owner specified above or the registered assignee hereof (either being hereinafter called the "registered owner") on \_\_\_\_\_\_ in each of the years in the principal installments and bearing interest at the per annum rates set forth in the following schedule:

| Principal           | <u>Years of</u>   | Interest |
|---------------------|-------------------|----------|
| <b>Installments</b> | Stated Maturities | Rates    |

(Information from Award Certificate to be inserted)

The Board promises to pay interest on the unpaid principal amount hereof from the [Dated Date] [Issuance Date] specified above at the respective per annum rate of interest specified above, calculated on the basis of a 360-day year composed of twelve 30-day months, to the Maturity Date specified above, or the date of redemption prior to maturity; with interest being payable on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, and semi-annually on each \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ thereafter, except that if the date of authentication of this Bond is later than the first Record Date (hereinafter defined), such principal amount shall bear interest from the interest payment date next preceding the date of authentication, unless such date of authentication is after any Record Date but on or before the next following interest payment date, in which case such principal amount shall bear interest from such next following interest payment date."

C. The Initial Bond shall be numbered "T-l".

The Initial Capital Appreciation Bond shall be in the form set forth in this exhibit, except that:

- A. Immediately under the name of the Bond, the headings "INTEREST RATE" and "MATURITY DATE" shall both be completed with the words "As shown below", and the heading "CUSIP NO." shall be deleted.
- B. The first paragraph of the Bond shall be deleted and the following will be inserted (with all blanks and bracketed items to be completed with information contained in the Award Certificate):

"The BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM (the "Board"), being an agency of the State of Texas, hereby promises to pay to the registered owner specified above or the registered assignee hereof (either being hereinafter called the "registered owner") on \_\_\_\_\_\_ in each of the years in the Maturity Amounts and bearing interest at the per annum rates set forth in the following schedule:

| <u>Maturity</u> | <u>Years of</u>   | Interest     |
|-----------------|-------------------|--------------|
| <u>Amounts</u>  | Stated Maturities | <u>Rates</u> |

### (Information from Award Certificate to be inserted)

Interest shall accrete on the original principal amount hereof from the Issuance Date at the interest rate per annum specified above (subject to rounding to the Compounded Amounts as provided in the Bond Resolution), compounded semi-annually on \_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of each year, commencing \_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_. For convenience of reference, a table appears on the back of this Bond showing the "Compounded Amount" of the original principal amount per \$5,000 Maturity Amount compounded semiannually at the yield shown on such table."

C. The Initial Capital Appreciation Bond shall be numbered "CT-l".

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### TABLE OF ACCRETED VALUES [FOR CAPITAL APPRECIATION BONDS]

The Accreted Value, initial offering price (all per \$5,000 of Maturity Amount), together with the yield to maturity are as follows. Accreted Values are calculated based on the initial offering price and yield to maturity and, except at maturity, do not equal principal amount plus accrued interest.

#### FORM OF PAYING AGENT/REGISTRAR'S AUTHENTICATION CERTIFICATE

### PAYING AGENT/REGISTRAR'S AUTHENTICATION CERTIFICATE

It is hereby certified that this Bond has been issued under the provisions of the Bond Resolution described in this Bond and that this Bond has been issued in conversion of and exchange for or replacement of a bond, bonds, or a portion of a bond or bonds of an issue which originally was approved by the Attorney General of the State of Texas and registered by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas.

[\_\_\_\_\_], as Paying Agent/Registrar

Dated:

By: \_\_\_\_\_Authorized Representative

Address:

### <u>FORM OF REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE</u> OF THE COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

### COMPTROLLER'S REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE

**REGISTER NO.** 

I hereby certify that this Bond has been examined, certified as to validity, and approved by the Attorney General of the State of Texas, and that this Bond has been registered by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas.

Witness my signature and seal this

(COMPTROLLER'S SEAL)

Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas

#### FORM OF ASSIGNMENT

#### ASSIGNMENT

The following abbreviations, when used in the inscription on the face of this Bond, shall be construed as though they were written out in full according to applicable laws or regulations:

|         |                                                                                 | UNIF GIFT MIN ACT      |  |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|--|
| TEN COM | as tenants in common                                                            | Custodian              |  |
| TEN ENT | as tenants by the entireties                                                    | (Cust) (Minor)         |  |
| JT TEN  | as joint tenants with rights<br>of survivorship and not as<br>tenants in common | under Uniform Gifts to |  |
|         |                                                                                 | Minors Act             |  |
|         |                                                                                 | (State)                |  |

Additional abbreviations may also be used though not in the above list.

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned sells, assigns and transfers unto

Please insert Social Security or

Other Identification Number of Assignee

(Name and Address of Assignee)

the within Bond and does hereby irrevocably constitutes and appoints

to transfer said Bond on the books kept for registration thereof with full power of substitution in the premises.

Dated:

Signature Guaranteed:

NOTICE: The signature to this assignment must correspond with the name as it appears upon the face of the within Bond in every particular, without alteration or enlargement or any change whatever; and

NOTICE: Signature(s) must be guaranteed by the Securities Transfer Association signature guarantee program.

# MO 152-2023 (Item 1.2) EXHIBIT

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE, SALE, AND DELIVERY OF BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM PERMANENT UNIVERSITY FUND BONDS IN THE MAXIMUM AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$590 MILLION, PLEDGING REVENUES FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF, AND APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING INSTRUMENTS AND PROCEDURES RELATING THERETO

Adopted August 1, 2024

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**EXHIBIT A - FORM OF BONDS** 

#### A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE, SALE, AND DELIVERY OF BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM PERMANENT UNIVERSITY FUND BONDS IN THE MAXIMUM AGGREGATE **PRINCIPAL** AMOUNT OF \$590 MILLION. PLEDGING REVENUES FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF, AND APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING **INSTRUMENTS AND PROCEDURES RELATING THERETO**

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents (the "Board") of The Texas A&M University System (the "System") hereby determines to issue obligations pursuant to the provisions of Article VII, Section 18 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, as amended (the "Constitutional Provision"), Chapters 1207 and 1371, Texas Government Code, as amended, and other applicable laws (collectively, "Applicable Law") for the purposes hereinafter described; and

WHEREAS, the Constitutional Provision authorizes the Board to issue bonds and notes not to exceed a total amount of 10% of the cost value of investments and other assets of the Permanent University Fund (exclusive of real estate) at the time of issuance thereof, and to pledge all or any part of the Available University Fund Share (defined herein) to secure the payment of the principal and interest of those bonds and notes, for the purpose of acquiring land either with or without permanent improvements, constructing and equipping buildings or other permanent improvements, major repair and rehabilitation of buildings and other permanent improvements, acquiring capital equipment and library books and library materials, and refunding bonds or notes issued under such section or prior law, at or for the System's administration and certain component institutions and agencies of the System; and

WHEREAS, the Board has heretofore duly authorized, sold, and delivered certain outstanding obligations pursuant to the provisions of the Constitutional Provision, payable from, and secured by a first lien on and pledge of, the Available University Fund Share (such outstanding obligations, collectively, the "Outstanding Parity Bonds"), in the manner and to the extent provided in the respective resolutions authorizing the issuance of each of the Outstanding Parity Bonds (collectively, the "Parity Bond Resolutions"); and

WHEREAS, the Board has also heretofore duly authorized certain obligations pursuant to the provisions of the Constitutional Provision, payable from, and secured by a lien on and pledge of, the Available University Fund Share that is junior and subordinate to the pledge of and lien on the Available University Fund Share that secures Parity Obligations (defined below) (such obligations, collectively, the "Subordinate Lien Obligations"); and

WHEREAS, the Parity Bond Resolutions reserved the right and power in the Board to issue, under certain conditions, Additional Parity Obligations (defined herein) for the purposes and to the extent provided in the Constitutional Provision and the Parity Bond Resolutions, said Additional Parity Obligations to be on a parity with the Outstanding Parity Bonds, and equally and ratably secured by and payable from a first lien on and pledge of the Available University Fund Share in the same manner and to the same extent as are the Outstanding Parity Bonds; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board deems it necessary and desirable to issue Additional Parity Obligations to (i) refund such of its outstanding Subordinate Lien Obligations as shall be specified

in the Award Certificate (defined herein) executed in accordance with the terms of this Resolution for the purposes of providing permanent financing for facilities and improvements financed with the proceeds of such refunded Subordinate Lien Obligations and of providing the Board with the ability to issue additional Subordinate Lien Obligations in the future as part of the System's continuing Subordinate Lien Obligations program; (ii) refund such of its Outstanding Parity Bonds as shall be specified in the Award Certificate executed in accordance with the terms of this Resolution, for the purpose of producing a net present value savings in accordance with the requirements of this Resolution; (iii) pay the Project Costs (as defined herein) of certain Eligible Projects (as defined herein); and (iv) pay costs of issuance of such Additional Parity Obligations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bonds (defined herein) hereinafter authorized are to be issued and delivered as Additional Parity Obligations pursuant to the Parity Bond Resolutions and Applicable Law.

# THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM AS FOLLOWS:

# SECTION 1. AUTHORIZATION AND FINDINGS.

(a) <u>Bonds Authorized</u>. The Board's bonds, designated as the "Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System Permanent University Fund Bonds, Series \_\_\_\_\_" (the "Bonds"), are hereby authorized to be issued and delivered in one or more Series (defined herein) in the maximum aggregate principal amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ (without regard to premium or discount affecting the sale price) for the purposes of (i) refunding the Refunded Notes (defined herein), (ii) refunding all or a portion of the Potential Refunded Bonds (defined herein), (iii) paying the Project Costs of certain Eligible Projects, and (iv) paying the costs of issuance relating to the Bonds. The Bonds shall be designated by the year in which they are awarded pursuant to Section 2(b) below; provided that for any Series of Bonds issued as Taxable Bonds (defined herein) the word "Taxable" shall be included in the designation of such Bonds before the word "Series."

# (b) <u>Refunding Purposes</u>.

(i) The Board may issue Bonds to refund Refunded Obligations (defined herein) for the purpose of restructuring certain of its outstanding debt. Pursuant to Section 1207.008, Texas Government Code, as amended, the Board hereby finds that, because the Refunded Notes bear interest at variable rates, the amount of savings or loss as a result of the refunding of the Refunded Notes cannot be ascertained, and that issuing the Bonds to refund the Refunded Notes for the aforementioned purpose is in the best interest of the System.

(ii) The Board may issue Bonds to refund Refunded Bonds (defined herein) for the public purpose of producing a net present value savings expressed as a percentage of the principal amount of the Refunded Bonds, all in accordance with Section 2(b) of this Resolution. (c) <u>Type of Bonds</u>. Each Series of Bonds herein authorized, unless otherwise indicated, shall be in the form of fixed rate bonds as either Current Interest Bonds (defined herein) or Capital Appreciation Bonds (defined herein).

# SECTION 2. DATE, DENOMINATIONS, NUMBERS, MATURITIES OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS.

(a) <u>Date, Denominations, and Numbers</u>. The Bonds of each Series shall initially be issued, sold, and delivered hereunder as fully registered bonds, without interest coupons, in the form of (i) Taxable Bonds or Tax-Exempt Bonds (defined herein) and (ii) Current Interest Bonds or Capital Appreciation Bonds, numbered consecutively for each Series of Bonds from R-1 upward (or CR-1 upward, in the case of Capital Appreciation Bonds) (except the Initial Bond (defined herein) which shall be numbered T-1 for the Current Interest Bonds and TR-1 for the Capital Appreciation Bonds), payable to the initial purchaser of the Bonds (the "Initial Purchaser") specified by the Authorized Representative (defined herein) in the Award Certificate, or to the registered assignee or assignees of said Bonds or any portion or portions thereof (in each case, the "Registered Owner"), in Authorized Denominations (defined herein), maturing on the dates, in the years and in the principal amounts or Maturity Amounts (defined herein), respectively, and dated, all as set forth in the Award Certificate.

(b) Delegation of Board's Authority. As permitted by Applicable Law, the Authorized Representative is hereby authorized, appointed, and designated to act on behalf of the Board in selling and delivering the Bonds and carrying out other procedures specified in this Resolution, including determining and fixing (i) the date of the Bonds and the Issuance Date (defined herein) thereof; (ii) any additional or different designations or titles by which the Bonds shall be known, if any; (iii) the price at which the Bonds will be sold; (iv) the years in which the Bonds will mature; (v) the principal amount or Maturity Amount of the Bonds to mature in each of such years; (vi) the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds, including the aggregate principal amount of Current Interest Bonds and Capital Appreciation Bonds; (vii) the rate of interest to be borne by each such maturity, and whether the Bonds shall be Tax-Exempt Bonds or Taxable Bonds; (viii) the interest payment periods; (ix) the dates, prices, and terms upon and at which the Bonds shall be subject to redemption prior to Stated Maturity at the option of the Board, as well as mandatory redemption provisions, if any; (x) the designation of which Subordinate Lien Obligations shall constitute the Refunded Notes refunded by the Bonds; (xi) the designation of which Potential Refunded Bonds shall constitute the Refunded Bonds to be refunded by the Bonds; (xii) the Paying Agent/Registrar (defined herein) and Escrow Agent (defined herein), if applicable, with respect to the Bonds; (xiii) the Eligible Projects to be financed by any Series of Bonds; and (xiv) all other matters relating to the issuance, sale, and delivery of the Bonds and the refunding of the Refunded Obligations. All such determinations made by the Authorized Representative shall be specified in the Award Certificate delivered to the Executive Director of the Board. Those determinations to be made by the Authorized Representative are limited, however, by the following: (i) the price to be paid for the Bonds shall not be less than 95% of the aggregate par amount thereof; (ii) none of the Bonds shall bear interest at a rate greater than the maximum rate allowed by law; (iii) none of the Bonds shall mature more than 30 years from their respective dates in accordance with the Constitutional Provision; and (iv) the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds shall not exceed \$\_ (without regard to premium or discount affecting the sale price).

In addition, each Series of Bonds issued to refund Refunded Bonds must be sold on terms that produce a present value savings when the scheduled debt service payable on such Bonds during each Bond Year is subtracted from the scheduled debt service payable on the Refunded Bonds during the same Bond Year and the remainder is discounted to the scheduled date of delivery of the Bonds of such Series set forth in the Award Certificate at a discount factor equal to the yield on such Bonds determined in accordance with section 148 of the Code (defined herein). The amount of the savings to be realized from the refunding shall be set forth in the Award Certificate. The Award Certificate for each Series of Bonds that is issued to refund Refunded Bonds or Refunded Notes shall also identify the Refunded Bonds or Refunded Notes being refunded by that Series.

The Award Certificate shall also contain a determination that the total principal amount of all outstanding Permanent University Fund Obligations (defined herein), subsequent to the issuance of the Bonds of such Series, will not exceed 10% of the cost value of investments and other assets of the Permanent University Fund (exclusive of real estate) at the time the Bonds of such Series are issued.

It is further provided, however, that, notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, the Bonds shall not be delivered unless prior to delivery (i) the Award Certificate has been executed and delivered as required by this Resolution; (ii) the Bonds have been rated by a Nationally-Recognized Rating Agency (defined herein) in one of the four highest rating categories for long-term obligations, as required by Chapter 1371, Texas Government Code, as amended; (iii) the Authorized Representative, or some other financial officer of the System designated by the Board, executes a certificate meeting the requirements of, and to the extent required by, Section 12(a) of this Resolution; and (iv) if a Series of Bonds is being issued to pay Project Costs, the Authorized Representative, or some other financial officer of the System designated by the Board, executes a certificate to the effect that such Bonds are being issued to pay Project Costs for Eligible Projects and, attached to such certificate is a listing of the Eligible Projects expected to be financed, in whole or in part, by such Bonds; provided, however, that at some future date, the Board may substitute other Eligible Projects to be financed, in whole or in part, by such Bonds for the Eligible Projects listed on such certificate.

The Award Certificate is hereby incorporated in and made a part of this Resolution and shall be filed in the minutes of the Board as a part of this Resolution.

(c) <u>Maturities and Interest Rates</u>. The Bonds shall mature on July 1 in each of the years and in the amounts as specified in the Award Certificate.

The Current Interest Bonds of each Series of Bonds shall bear interest calculated on the basis of a 360-day year composed of twelve 30-day months from the dates specified in the Award Certificate to their respective dates of maturity at the rates set forth in the Award Certificate; provided that interest on any Taxable Bonds may be computed as determined by the Authorized Representative in the Award Certificate (i) on the basis of a 365- or 366-day year, as applicable for the number of days actually elapsed based upon the calendar year in which the interest rate period for such Bonds commences, (ii) on the basis of a 360-day year composed of twelve 30-day months, or (iii) as otherwise determined by the Authorized Representative to be necessary to achieve the most beneficial pricing terms for such Bonds.

The Capital Appreciation Bonds of each Series of Bonds shall bear interest from the Issuance Date for such Series of Bonds, calculated on the basis of a 360-day year composed of twelve 30-day months (subject to rounding to the Compounded Amounts (defined herein) thereof), compounded semiannually on the dates set forth in the Award Certificate (the "Compounding Dates") commencing on the date set forth in the Award Certificate, and payable, together with the principal amount thereof, in the manner provided in the FORM OF BONDS at the rates set forth in the Award Certificate. Attached to the Award Certificate, if Capital Appreciation Bonds are to be issued, shall be an Exhibit (the "Compounded Amount Table") which shall set forth the rounded original principal amounts at the Issuance Date for the Capital Appreciation Bonds and the Compounded Amounts and Maturity Amounts thereof (per \$5,000 Maturity Amount) as of each Compounding Date (defined herein), commencing on the date set forth in the Award Certificate, and continuing until the final maturity of such Capital Appreciation Bonds. The Compounded Amount with respect to any date other than a Compounding Date is the amount set forth on the Compounded Amount Table with respect to the last preceding Compounding Date, plus the portion of the difference between such amount and the amount set forth on the Compounded Amount Table with respect to the next succeeding Compounding Date that the number of days (based on 30-day months) from such last preceding Compounding Date to the date for which such determination is being calculated bears to the total number of days (based on 30-day months) from such last preceding Compounding Date to the next succeeding Compounding Date.

**SECTION 3. RIGHT OF OPTIONAL REDEMPTION.** The Board reserves the right to redeem prior to their stated maturities the Bonds, in whole or in part, in principal amounts or Maturity Amounts of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof at the redemption prices, to the extent, on the dates, and in the manner described in the Award Certificate.

#### SECTION 4. CHARACTERISTICS OF THE BONDS.

Paying Agent/Registrar; Registration, Transfer, and Exchange; Authentication. (a) The Board shall keep or cause to be kept at a designated corporate trust office of the Paying Agent/Registrar books or records for the registration and transfer of the Bonds (the "Registration Books"), and the Board hereby appoints the Paying Agent/Registrar as its registrar and transfer agent to keep such books or records and make such registrations of transfers and exchanges under such reasonable regulations as the Board and Paying Agent/Registrar may prescribe; and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall make such registrations, transfers, and exchanges as herein provided. Registration of the Bonds shall be accomplished in accordance with the provisions of this Resolution, including Section 14, relating to DTC's Book-Entry-Only System. The Authorized Representative, acting for and on behalf of the Board, is hereby authorized to solicit bids for and to select an initial Paying Agent/Registrar for the Bonds and to approve, execute, and deliver for and on behalf of the Board a Paying Agent/Registrar Agreement (defined herein) to reflect the appointment, responsibilities, and compensation of the Paying Agent/Registrar, such approval to be conclusively evidenced by the Authorized Representative's execution thereof. The Paying Agent/Registrar shall obtain and record in the Registration Books the address of the Registered Owner to which payments with respect to the Bonds shall be mailed, as herein provided; but it shall be the duty of each Registered Owner to notify the Paying Agent/Registrar in writing of the address to which payments shall be mailed, and such interest payments shall not be mailed unless such notice has been given. To the extent possible and under reasonable circumstances, all transfers of Bonds shall be made within three Business Days after request and presentation thereof.

The Board shall have the right to inspect the Registration Books during the Paying Agent/Registrar's regular business hours, but otherwise the Paying Agent/Registrar shall keep the Registration Books confidential and, unless otherwise required by law, shall not permit their inspection by any other entity. The Paying Agent/Registrar's standard or customary fees and charges for making such registration, transfer, exchange, and delivery of a substitute Bond or Bonds shall be paid as provided in the FORM OF BONDS set forth in this Resolution. Registration of assignments, transfers, and exchanges of Bonds shall be made in the manner provided and with the effect stated in the FORM OF BONDS set forth in this Resolution. Each substitute Bond shall bear a letter and/or number to distinguish it from each other Bond.

Except as provided in subsection (c) below, an authorized representative of the Paying Agent/Registrar shall, before the delivery of any such Bond, date and manually sign the Paying Agent/Registrar's Authentication Certificate, and no such Bond shall be deemed to be issued or outstanding unless such Authentication Certificate is so executed. The Paying Agent/Registrar promptly shall cancel all paid Bonds and Bonds surrendered for transfer and exchange. No additional action need be taken by the Board or any other body or person so as to accomplish the foregoing transfer and exchange of any Bond or portion thereof, and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall provide for the printing, execution, and delivery of the substitute Bonds. Pursuant to Chapter 1201, Texas Government Code, as amended, the duty of transfer and exchange of Bonds as aforesaid is hereby imposed upon the Paying Agent/Registrar, and upon the execution of said certificate, the transferred and exchanged Bond shall be valid, incontestable, and enforceable in the same manner and with the same effect as the Initial Bond.

(b) <u>Payment of Bonds and Interest</u>. The Board hereby further appoints the Paying Agent/Registrar to act as the paying agent for paying the principal and Maturity Amount of and interest on the Bonds, all as provided in this Resolution. The Paying Agent/Registrar shall keep proper records of all payments made by the Board and the Paying Agent/Registrar with respect to the Bonds.

(c) In General. The Bonds (i) shall be issued in fully registered form, without interest coupons, with the principal of and interest on or Maturity Amount of such Bonds to be payable only to the Registered Owners thereof; (ii) may and shall be prepaid or redeemed prior to the respective scheduled maturity dates; (iii) may be transferred and assigned; (iv) may be exchanged for other Bonds; (v) shall have the characteristics; (vi) shall be signed, sealed, executed, and authenticated; and (vii) shall be administered, and the Paying Agent/Registrar and the Board shall have certain duties and responsibilities with respect to the Bonds, all as provided, and in the manner and to the effect as required or indicated, in the FORM OF BONDS set forth in this Resolution and in the Award Certificate. The Initial Bond shall be delivered to the Initial Purchaser and is not required to be, and shall not be, authenticated by the Paying Agent/Registrar, but on each Bond issued in exchange for the Initial Bond or any Bond or Bonds issued under this Resolution the Paying Agent/Registrar shall execute the Paying Agent/Registrar's Authentication Certificate, in the form set forth in the FORM OF BONDS set forth in this Resolution the Paying Agent/Registrar shall execute the Paying Agent/Registrar's Authentication Certificate, in the form set forth in the FORM OF BONDS set forth in this Resolution the Paying Agent/Registrar shall execute the Paying Agent/Registrar's Authentication Certificate, in the form set forth in the FORM OF BONDS set forth in this Resolution.

**SECTION 5.** FORMS. The form of all Bonds, including the form of Paying Agent/Registrar's Authentication Certificate, the form of Assignment, and the form of Registration Certificate of the Comptroller of Public Accounts, to accompany the Initial Bond on the initial delivery thereof shall be, respectively, substantially as provided in Exhibit A hereto, with such

appropriate variations, omissions, or insertions as are permitted or required by this Resolution and the Award Certificate.

**SECTION 6. DEFINITIONS.** In addition to terms defined elsewhere in this Resolution, as used in this Resolution, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth below, unless expressly provided otherwise herein or unless the context shall indicate a contrary meaning or intent:

"Additional Parity Obligations" means the additional obligations of the Board permitted to be issued pursuant to Section 12 of this Resolution or pursuant to the Parity Bond Resolutions, such obligations to be payable from and secured by a first lien on and pledge of the Available University Fund Share on a parity with and of equal dignity to the Outstanding Parity Bonds and the Bonds.

"Applicable Law" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the recitals of this Resolution.

"Attorney General" means the Attorney General of the State of Texas.

"Authorized Denominations" means, except as otherwise provided in the Award Certificate, \$5,000 in principal amount or any integral multiple thereof with respect to Current Interest Bonds and \$5,000 in Maturity Amount or any integral multiple thereof with respect to Capital Appreciation Bonds.

"Authorized Representative" means one or more of the following officers or employees of the System, to-wit: the Chancellor, the Deputy Chancellor and Chief Financial Officer, the Chief Investment Officer and Treasurer, and the Deputy Chief Investment Officer, or in the event of a vacancy in any such position, the person duly authorized to act in such capacity pending the appointment of a successor to such position, or such other officer or employee of the System authorized by the Board to act as an Authorized Representative.

"Available University Fund" means the fund by that name specified in the Constitutional Provision, which fund consists of the distributions made to it from the total return on all investment assets of the Permanent University Fund, including the net income attributable to the surface of Permanent University Fund land, as determined by the Board of Regents of The University of Texas System pursuant to the Constitutional Provision.

"Available University Fund Share" means the System's one-third interest in the Available University Fund as apportioned and provided in the Constitutional Provision.

"Award Certificate" means the certificate to be signed and delivered pursuant to Section 2(b) of this Resolution in connection with each Series of Bonds which establishes the terms of the Bonds.

"Board of Regents" or "Board" means the Board of Regents of the System.

"Bond" or "Bonds" mean one or more, as the case may be, of the Bonds authorized to be issued by this Resolution. "Bond Counsel" means McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., or such other nationallyrecognized firm designated by the Board as Bond Counsel for purposes of this Resolution.

"Bond Counsel Opinion" means, with respect to any action the occurrence of which requires such an opinion relating to the Bonds, an unqualified opinion of Bond Counsel to the effect that such action is permitted under State law and this Resolution and, with respect to Tax-Exempt Bonds, will not adversely affect the exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest on such Tax-Exempt Bonds (subject to the inclusion of any exceptions contained in the opinion delivered upon original issuance of the Tax-Exempt Bonds).

"Bond Purchase Contract" means the Board's agreement with a senior managing underwriter providing for the sale of a Series of Bonds on a negotiated basis as authorized by Section 20 hereof; provided that two or more Series of Bonds may be sold to the same senior managing underwriter pursuant to the terms of a single Bond Purchase Contract.

"Bond Year" means the period beginning on July 2 of any calendar year and continuing through July 1 of the following calendar year.

"Business Day" means any day other than a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, or a day on which banking institutions in either the State of New York or the State of Texas are authorized by law or executive order to close.

"Capital Appreciation Bonds" means Bonds on which no interest is paid prior to maturity, maturing variously in each of the years and in the Maturity Amounts as set forth in the Award Certificate.

"Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and, with respect to a specific section thereof, such reference shall be deemed to include (a) the Regulations promulgated under such section, (b) any successor provision of similar import hereafter enacted, (c) any corresponding provision of any subsequent Internal Revenue Code, and (d) the Regulations promulgated under the provisions described in (b) and (c).

"Commercial Paper Notes" means commercial paper notes of the Board issued as Subordinate Lien Obligations pursuant to the Board's resolution adopted on September 26, 2008, as amended on February 4, 2011.

"Compounded Amount" means, with respect to a Capital Appreciation Bond, as of any particular date of calculation, the original principal amount thereof, plus all interest accrued and compounded to the particular date of calculation, as determined in accordance with Section 2(c) of this Resolution and the Compounded Amount Table relating to such Bonds.

"Compounded Amount Table" means, with respect to the Capital Appreciation Bonds, the Compounded Amount Table as defined in Section 2(c) of this Resolution.

"Compounding Dates" means Compounding Dates as defined in Section 2(c) of this Resolution.

"Comptroller" means the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas or any successor thereto.

"Constitutional Provision" means Section 18 of Article VII of the Constitution of the State, as amended, and in effect on the date hereof, and any amendment thereto or any other provision or amendment to the Constitution of the State relating to the Permanent University Fund hereafter approved by the voters of the State.

"Current Interest Bonds" means Bonds paying current interest and maturing in each of the years and in the aggregate principal amounts set forth in the Award Certificate.

"Definitive Bonds" means the Bonds issued in exchange for the Initial Bond.

"DTC" means The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York, and its successors and assigns.

"DTC Participant" means securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations on whose behalf DTC was created to hold securities to facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions among DTC Participants.

"Eligible Project" means the acquisition of land either with or without permanent improvements, the construction and equipping of buildings or other permanent improvements, major repair and rehabilitation of buildings and other permanent improvements, the acquisition of capital equipment and library books and library materials. The term "Eligible Project" does not include the constructing, equipping, repairing, or rehabilitating of buildings or other permanent improvements that are to be used for student housing, intercollegiate athletics, or auxiliary enterprises.

"Escrow Agent" means the Escrow Agent set forth in the Award Certificate, if any, and any successor thereto.

"Escrow Agreement" means an agreement between the Board and the Escrow Agent as authorized by Section 23 hereof, as each such agreement may be amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

"Financial Obligation" has the meaning given in Section 18(b) hereof.

"Fiscal Year" means the 12-month operational period of both the System and the Permanent University Fund, commencing on September 1 of each year and ending on the following August 31.

"Government Obligations" means (i) direct noncallable obligations of the United States of America, including obligations that are unconditionally guaranteed by the United States of America (including Interest Strips of the Resolution Funding Corporation), and (ii) noncallable obligations of an agency or instrumentality of the United States of America, including obligations that are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by the agency or instrumentality and that, on the date the Board adopts or approves proceedings authorizing the issuance of Refunding Bonds or otherwise provides for the funding of an escrow to effect the defeasance of the Bonds, are rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than "AAA" or its equivalent. The foregoing notwithstanding, the Authorized Representative may elect in the Award Certificate to modify the definition of "Government Obligations" by eliminating any securities or obligations set forth in the preceding sentence upon determining that it is in the best interests of the Board to do so.

"Initial Bond" means the Bond of a Series initially delivered hereunder and upon which the registration certificate, manually executed by or on behalf of the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas, has been placed.

"Initial Purchaser" has the meaning given in Section 2 hereof.

"Issuance Date" means the date of delivery of each Series of Bonds to the Initial Purchasers thereof.

"Maturity" means the date on which the principal of a Bond becomes due and payable as therein and herein provided, whether at Stated Maturity, by redemption, or otherwise.

"Maturity Amount" means the Compounded Amount of a Capital Appreciation Bond due on its Stated Maturity.

"MSRB" means the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board.

"Nationally-Recognized Rating Agency" means any nationally-recognized securities rating agency that provides a rating on the Bonds at the request of the Board.

"Outstanding Parity Bonds" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the recitals of this Resolution.

"Parity Bond Resolutions" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the recitals of this Resolution.

"Parity Obligations" means the Outstanding Parity Bonds, the Bonds, and any Additional Parity Obligations outstanding on the date of adoption of this Resolution or thereafter issued.

"Paying Agent/Registrar," "Paying Agent," or "Registrar" means an agent appointed pursuant to Section 2(b) of this Resolution, or any successor thereto.

"Paying Agent/Registrar Agreement" means a Paying/Agent Registrar Agreement executed by the Board and a Paying Agent/Registrar pursuant to Section 4(a) of this Resolution, substantially in the form previously approved by the Board, as such agreement may be amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

"Permanent University Fund" means the Permanent University Fund as created, established, implemented, and administered pursuant to Article VII, Sections 10, 11, 11a, 15, and 18 of the Texas Constitution, as currently or hereafter amended, and further implemented by the provisions of Chapter 66, Texas Education Code, as amended.

"Permanent University Fund Obligations" means, collectively, all bonds or notes of the Board heretofore or hereafter issued and delivered pursuant to the provisions of the Constitutional Provision, payable from and secured by a lien on and pledge of the Available University Fund Share, including, but not limited to, Parity Obligations and Subordinate Lien Obligations.

"Potential Refunded Bonds" means any of the Outstanding Parity Bonds.

"Principal and Interest Requirements" means, with respect to any Fiscal Year, the respective amounts of principal of and interest on all outstanding Permanent University Fund Obligations scheduled to be paid in such Fiscal Year from the Available University Fund Share. If the rate or rates of interest to be borne by any Additional Parity Obligations or Subordinate Lien Obligations is not fixed, but is variable or adjustable by any formula, agreement, or otherwise, and therefore cannot be calculated as actually being scheduled to be paid in a particular amount for any particular period, then for the purposes of the previous sentence, such Additional Parity Obligations or Subordinate Lien Obligations.

"Project Costs" means all costs and expenses incurred in relation to Eligible Projects, including, without limitation, design, planning, engineering, and legal costs; acquisition costs of land, interests in land, right-of-way and easements; construction costs; costs of machinery, equipment, and other capital assets incident and related to the operation, maintenance, and administration of an Eligible Project; and financing costs, including interest during construction and thereafter; underwriters' discount and/or fees; legal, financial, and other professional services; and reimbursements for such Project Costs attributable to an Eligible Project incurred prior to issuance and delivery of the Bonds.

"Refunded Bonds" means the Potential Refunded Bonds to be refunded by a Series of Bonds as set forth in the Award Certificate.

"Refunded Notes" means the Commercial Paper Notes to be refunded by a Series of Bonds as set forth in the Award Certificate.

"Refunded Obligations" means, collectively, the Refunded Notes, if any, and the Refunded Bonds, if any, refunded by a Series.

"Refunding Bonds" means any Series of Bonds issued for the purpose of refunding any of the Refunded Obligations and paying the costs of issuance of such Bonds thereby constituting "refunding bonds" for purposes of subsection (g) of the Constitutional Provision.

"Registered Owner" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Section 2 of this Resolution.

"Regulations" means the applicable proposed, temporary or final Treasury Regulations promulgated under the Code or, to the extent applicable to the Code, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as such regulations may be amended or supplemented from time to time.

"Rule" means SEC Rule 15c2-12 promulgated by the SEC, as amended from time to time.

"SEC" means the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

"Series" means any designated series of Bonds issued pursuant to this Resolution.

"State" means the State of Texas.

"Stated Maturity" with respect to any Bond, means the scheduled maturity or mandatory sinking fund redemption date of the Bond.

"Subordinate Lien Obligations" means those bonds, notes, or other obligations of the Board, including the Commercial Paper Notes, payable from, and secured by a lien on and a pledge of, the Available University Fund Share that is junior and subordinate to the pledge of and lien on the Available University Fund Share that secures the Parity Obligations.

"System" means The Texas A&M University System.

"Tax-Exempt Bonds" means a series of Bonds, the interest on which is excludable from gross income from federal income tax purposes, as determined and set forth in the Award Certificate therefor.

"Taxable Bonds" means a series of Bonds, the interest on which is not excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes, as determined and set forth in the Award Certificate therefor.

"UT Board" means the Board of Regents of The University of Texas System.

**SECTION 7. PLEDGE.** Pursuant to the Constitutional Provision, the Bonds and any Additional Parity Obligations hereafter issued, and the interest thereon, shall be and are hereby equally and ratably secured, together with the Outstanding Parity Bonds, by and payable from a first lien on and pledge of the Available University Fund Share.

**SECTION 8. PERFECTION OF SECURITY.** Chapter 1208, Texas Government Code, as amended, applies to the issuance of the Parity Obligations and the pledge of the Available University Fund Share made in Section 7 of this Resolution, and such pledge is, therefore, valid, effective, and perfected. Should State law be amended at any time while the Bonds are outstanding and unpaid, the result of such amendment being that the pledge of the Available University Fund Share is to be subject to the filing requirements of Chapter 9, Texas Business & Commerce Code, as amended, in order to preserve to the Registered Owners a security interest in such pledge, the Board agrees to take such measures as it determines are reasonable and necessary to enable a filing of a security interest in said pledge to occur.

# SECTION 9. PAYMENT OF BONDS AND ADDITIONAL PARITY OBLIGATIONS.

(a) <u>Payment of the Bonds</u>. The Comptroller previously has established and shall maintain in the State Treasury a fund known as the "Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System Permanent University Fund Bonds Interest and Sinking Fund" (the "Interest and Sinking Fund"). The Board and the officers of the System shall cause the Comptroller to (i)

transfer to the Interest and Sinking Fund, out of the fund in the State Treasury to which is deposited the Available University Fund Share, such fund being designated the "The Texas A&M University System Available University Fund", on or before each date upon which the principal of, premium, if any, or interest on any Parity Obligations is due and payable, whether by reason of maturity, mandatory redemption, or optional redemption prior to maturity and (ii) withdraw from the Interest and Sinking Fund and deposit with the Paying Agent/Registrar, on or before each such date, the amounts of interest or principal, premium, if any, and interest which will come due on the Parity Obligations on each such date, and in such manner that such amounts, in immediately available funds, will be on deposit with the Paying Agent/Registrar at least by each such date.

(b) <u>Payment of Additional Parity Obligations</u>. When Additional Parity Obligations are issued pursuant to the provisions of this Resolution, the Board, the officers of the System, and the Comptroller shall follow substantially the same procedures as provided above in connection with paying the principal of and interest on such Additional Parity Obligations when due; provided, however, that other and different banks or places of payment (paying agents) and/or paying agent/registrars, dates and methods of payment, and other procedures not in conflict with this Resolution may be named and provided for in connection with each issue of Additional Parity Obligations. In the event that any such Additional Parity Obligations are made redeemable prior to maturity, the resolution or resolutions authorizing the issuance of such Additional Parity Obligations shall prescribe the appropriate procedures for redeeming the same.

**SECTION 10. DISPOSITION OF FUNDS.** After provision has been made for the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Parity Obligations the balance of the Available University Fund Share each year shall be made available to the Board for payment of any Subordinate Lien Obligations and, thereafter, shall be available to the Board in the manner and to the extent provided by law and by regulations of the Board to be used by the Board as it may lawfully direct.

**SECTION 11. INVESTMENTS.** Subject to the requirements of any Parity Bond Resolution and except as may be otherwise provided herein, (i) money in any account or fund established or affirmed pursuant to this Resolution may be invested at the direction of an Authorized Representative in the manner prescribed by law and in accordance with the written policies adopted by the Board, and (ii) the interest and income derived from such investments shall be credited to the account or fund from which the deposit or investment was made and shall be used only for the purpose or purposes for which such account or fund is required or permitted to be used.

# SECTION 12. ADDITIONAL OBLIGATIONS.

(a) <u>Additional Parity Obligations</u>. The Board reserves the right and shall have full power at any time and from time to time, to authorize, issue, and deliver Additional Parity Obligations, in as many separate installments or series as deemed advisable by the Board but only for the purpose and to the extent provided in the Constitutional Provision, or in any amendment hereafter made to the Constitutional Provision, or for refunding purposes as provided by Applicable Law. Such Additional Parity Obligations when issued, and the interest thereon, shall be equally and ratably secured by and payable from a first lien on and pledge of the Available University Fund Share, in the same manner and to the same extent as are the Parity Obligations,

and shall be on a parity and in all respects of equal dignity. It is further covenanted that no installment or series of Additional Parity Obligations shall be issued and delivered unless the Authorized Representative, or some other financial officer of the System designated by the Board, executes a certificate to the effect that (i) for the Fiscal Year immediately preceding the date of said certificate, the amount of the Available University Fund Share was at least 1.5 times the average annual Principal and Interest Requirements of the installment or series of Additional Parity Obligations then proposed to be issued and the Parity Obligations which are then and will be outstanding after the issuance and delivery of said proposed installment or series; provided, however, that the certification required by this clause (i) shall only remain in effect so long as any Parity Obligation that was outstanding on August 3, 2012, remains outstanding; and (ii) the total principal amount of all Permanent University Fund Obligations that will be outstanding after the issuance and delivery of series of Additional Parity Obligations then proposed to be issued university Fund Obligations that will be outstanding after the issuance and delivery of series of Additional Parity Obligations then proposed to be issued to be issued to be issued and the Parity Obligations that will be outstanding after the issuance and delivery of the installment or series of Additional Parity Obligations then proposed to be issued will not exceed 10% of the cost value of investments and other assets of the Permanent University Fund (exclusive of real estate) at the time the proposed series or installment of Additional Parity Obligations is issued.

(b) <u>Subordinate Lien Obligations</u>. The Board may, at any time and from time to time, for any lawful purpose permitted pursuant to the terms of the Constitutional Provision, issue Subordinate Lien Obligations, the principal of and redemption premium, if any, and interest on which are payable from and secured by a pledge of and lien on the Available University Fund Share junior and subordinate to the lien and pledge created hereby for the security of the Parity Obligations; provided, however, that any such pledge and lien securing such Subordinate Lien Obligations shall be, and shall be expressed to be, subordinate in all respects to the pledge of and lien on the Available University Fund Share pledged as security for the Parity Obligations.

**SECTION 13. GENERAL COVENANTS.** The Board covenants and agrees with the Registered Owners as follows:

(a) It is recognized that the UT Board is the legal custodian of the Permanent University Fund, having sole power to administer and invest the Permanent University Fund in accordance with Applicable Law, provided that the Constitutional Provision affirmatively appropriates out of the Available University Fund Share an annual amount sufficient to pay the principal and interest on the Permanent University Fund Obligations. Therefore, while the Parity Obligations or the Subordinate Lien Obligations are outstanding and unpaid, the Board covenants to use its best efforts to cause the Permanent University Fund to be administered, invested, and the income therefrom to be distributed, all as required by law and consistent with the Parity Bond Resolutions and this Resolution.

(b) The Board will duly and punctually pay or cause to be paid the principal of every Parity Obligation and all Subordinate Lien Obligations, while outstanding, and the interest thereon, from the sources, on the days, at the places, and in the manner mentioned and provided in such obligations, according to the true intent and meaning thereof, and it will duly cause to be called for redemption prior to maturity, and will cause to be redeemed prior to maturity, all Parity Obligations and Subordinate Lien Obligations which, by their terms, are mandatorily required to be redeemed prior to maturity, when and as so required, and it will faithfully do and perform and at all times fully observe all covenants, undertakings, and provisions contained in this Resolution and in the aforesaid obligations. (c) Except for the benefit of the Parity Obligations, and the interest thereon, the Board will not at any time create or allow to accrue or exist any lien or charge upon the Interest and Sinking Fund or the Available University Fund Share, unless such lien or charge is made junior and subordinate in all respects to the liens, pledges, and covenants in connection with the Parity Obligations, but the right to issue Subordinate Lien Obligations payable from the Available University Fund Share, as specified in Section 12(b) of this Resolution, is specifically reserved by the Board. The lien created by this Resolution will not be impaired in any manner as a result of any action or non-action on the part of the Board or officers of the System.

(d) Proper books of records and accounts will be kept in which true, full, and correct entries will be made of all income, expenses, and transactions of and in relation to the Permanent University Fund and each and every part thereof in accordance with accepted accounting practices, and as soon after the close of each Fiscal Year as reasonably may be done, the Board will furnish to all bondholders and Registered Owners who may so request, such audits and reports by the State Auditor of the State for the preceding Fiscal Year, concerning the Permanent University Fund, the Available University Fund Share, and the Parity Obligations, as the State Auditor is required by Applicable Law to prepare and distribute.

(e) No portion of the proceeds of the Bonds will be used for the purpose of constructing, equipping, repairing, or rehabilitating buildings or other permanent improvements that are to be used for student housing, intercollegiate athletics, or auxiliary enterprises.

(f) The Board will (i) pay the standard or customary fees and charges of the Paying Agent/Registrar for its services with respect to the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds, when due, and (ii) pay the fees and charges of the Paying Agent/Registrar for services with respect to (A) the transfer of registration of the Bonds, and (B) solely to the extent provided in this Resolution, the exchange of the Bonds.

At all times while the Bonds are outstanding, the Board will provide a competent (g) and legally qualified bank, trust company, financial institution, or other agency to act as and perform the services of Paying Agent/Registrar for the Bonds under this Resolution. The Paying Agent/Registrar will be one entity. The Board reserves the right to appoint a successor Paying Agent/Registrar upon providing the previous Paying Agent/Registrar with a certified copy of a resolution terminating such agency. In the event that the entity at any time acting as Paying Agent/Registrar (or its successor by merger, acquisition, or other method) should resign or otherwise cease to act as such, the Board covenants that it will promptly appoint a competent and legally qualified bank, trust company, financial institution, or other agency to act as Paying Agent/Registrar under this Resolution. Upon any change in the Paying Agent/Registrar, the previous Paying Agent/Registrar promptly shall transfer and deliver the Registration Books (or a copy thereof), along with all other pertinent books and records relating to the Bonds, to the new Paying Agent/Registrar designated and appointed by the Board. Upon any change in the Paying Agent/Registrar, the Board promptly will cause a written notice thereof to be sent by the new Paying Agent/Registrar to each Registered Owner, by United States mail, first-class postage prepaid, which notice also shall give the address of the new Paying Agent/Registrar. By accepting the position and performing as such, each Paying Agent/Registrar shall be deemed to have agreed to the provisions of this Resolution, and a certified copy of this Resolution shall be delivered to each Paying Agent/Registrar.

**SECTION 14. BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM.** It is intended that the Bonds initially be registered so as to participate in a securities depository system (the "DTC System") with DTC, as set forth herein. The Definitive Bonds shall be issued in the form of a separate single definitive Bond for each maturity. Upon issuance, the ownership of each such Bond shall be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as the nominee of DTC, and all of the outstanding Bonds shall be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as the nominee of DTC. The Board and the Paying Agent/Registrar are authorized to execute, deliver, and take the actions set forth in such letters to or agreements with DTC as shall be necessary to effectuate the DTC System, including a "Letter of Representations" (the "Representation Letter").

With respect to the Bonds registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, the Board and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall have no responsibility or obligation to any brokerdealer, bank, or other financial institution for which DTC holds the Bonds from time to time as securities depository (a "Depository Participant") or to any person on behalf of whom such a Depository Participant holds an interest in the Bonds (an "Indirect Participant"). Without limiting the immediately preceding sentence, the Board and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall have no responsibility or obligation with respect to (i) the accuracy of the records of DTC, Cede & Co., or any Depository Participant with respect to any ownership interest in the Bonds, or (ii) the delivery to any Depository Participant or any Indirect Participant or any other person, other than a Registered Owner of a Bond, of any amount with respect to principal of or interest on the Bonds. While in the DTC System, no person other than Cede & Co., or any successor thereto, as nominee for DTC, shall receive a Bond evidencing the obligation of the Board to make payments of principal and interest pursuant to this Resolution. Upon delivery by DTC to the Paying Agent/Registrar of written notice to the effect that DTC has determined to substitute a new nominee in place of Cede & Co., and subject to the provisions in this Resolution with respect to interest checks or drafts being mailed to the holder, the words "Cede & Co." in this Resolution shall refer to such new nominee of DTC.

In the event that (a) the Board determines that DTC is incapable of discharging its responsibilities described herein and in the Representation Letter, (b) the Representation Letter shall be terminated for any reason, or (c) DTC or the Board determines that it is in the best interest of the Registered Owners that they be able to obtain certificated Bonds, the Board shall notify the Paying Agent/Registrar, DTC, and Depository Participants of the availability within a reasonable period of time through DTC of certificated Bonds, and the Bonds shall no longer be restricted to being registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC. At that time, the Board may determine that the Bonds shall be registered in the name of and deposited with a successor depository operating a securities depository system, as may be acceptable to the Board, or such alternate securities depository system, then the Bonds may be registered in whatever names the Registered Owners transferring or exchanging the Bonds shall designate, in accordance with the provisions hereof.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Resolution to the contrary, so long as any Bond is registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, all payments with respect to principal of and interest on such Bond and all notices with respect to such Bond shall be made and given, respectively, in the manner provided in the Representation Letter.

#### SECTION 15. AMENDMENT OF RESOLUTION.

(a) The owners of the Parity Obligations comprising 51% or more in principal amount of the aggregate principal amount of then outstanding Parity Obligations shall have the right, from time to time, to approve any amendment to any resolution authorizing the issuance of Parity Obligations which may be deemed necessary or desirable by the Board; provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall permit or be construed to permit, without the approval of the owners of all of the outstanding Parity Obligations, the amendment of the terms and conditions in said resolutions or in the Parity Obligations so as to (i) make any change in the maturity of the outstanding Parity Obligations; (ii) reduce the rate of interest borne by any of the outstanding Parity Obligations; (iii) reduce the amount of the principal payable on the outstanding Parity Obligations; (iv) modify the terms of payment of principal of or interest on the outstanding Parity Obligations, or impose any conditions with respect to such payment; (v) affect the rights of the owners of less than all of the Parity Obligations then outstanding; or (vi) change the minimum percentage of the principal amount of Parity Obligations necessary for consent to such amendment.

(b) If at any time the Board shall desire to amend a resolution under this Section, the Board shall cause notice of the proposed amendment to be published in a financial newspaper or journal published in New York, New York, once during each calendar week for at least two successive calendar weeks. Such notice shall briefly set forth the nature of the proposed amendment and shall state that a copy thereof is on file at the principal office of each Paying Agent/Registrar for the Parity Obligations for inspection by all owners of Parity Obligations. Such publication is not required, however, if written notice is given to each owner of Parity Obligations.

(c) Whenever at any time not less than 30 days, and within one year, from the date of the first publication of said notice or other service of written notice of the proposed amendment, the Board shall receive an instrument or instruments executed by the owners of at least 51% in aggregate principal amount of all Parity Obligations then outstanding, which instrument or instruments shall refer to the proposed amendment described in said notice and which specifically consent to and approve such amendment in substantially the form of the copy thereof on file as aforesaid, the Board may adopt the amendatory resolution in substantially the same form.

(d) Any consent given by the owner of a Parity Obligation pursuant to the provisions of this Section shall be irrevocable for a period of six months from the date of the first publication or other service of the notice provided for in this Section, and shall be conclusive and binding upon all future owners of the same Parity Obligations during such period. Such consent may be revoked at any time after six months from the date of the first publication of such notice by the owner who gave such consent, or by a successor in title, by filing notice thereof with the Paying Agent/Registrar for such Parity Obligations and the Board, but such revocation shall not be effective if the owners of 51% in aggregate principal amount of the then-outstanding Parity Obligations as in this Section defined have, prior to the attempted revocation, consented to and approved the amendment.

(e) Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsections (a)-(d) of this Section and subject to the requirements of the resolutions authorizing the Outstanding Parity Bonds, this Resolution and the rights and obligations of the Board and of the owners of the Bonds may, to the extent permitted by law, be modified or amended at any time by a supplemental resolution, without notice to or the

consent of any owners of the Bonds, to cure any ambiguity, or to cure or correct any defective provision contained in this Resolution, upon receipt by the Board of an approving opinion of Bond Counsel that the same is needed for such purpose and will more clearly express the intent of this Resolution.

(f) Upon the adoption of any amendatory resolution adopted by the Board pursuant to the provisions of this Section, the resolution being amended shall be deemed to be amended in accordance with the amendatory resolution, and the respective rights, duties, and obligations of the Board and all the owners of then-outstanding Parity Obligations and all future Parity Obligations shall thereafter be determined, exercised, and enforced thereunder, subject in all respects to such amendment.

# SECTION 16. DAMAGED, MUTILATED, LOST, STOLEN, OR DESTROYED BONDS.

(a) <u>Replacement Bonds</u>. In the event any outstanding Bond is damaged, mutilated, lost, stolen, or destroyed, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall cause to be printed, executed, and delivered a new Bond of the same principal amount, Maturity Amount, maturity, and interest rate, as the damaged, mutilated, lost, stolen, or destroyed Bond, in replacement for such Bond in the manner hereinafter provided.

(b) <u>Application for Replacement Bonds</u>. Application for replacement of damaged, mutilated, lost, stolen, or destroyed Bonds shall be made to the Paying Agent/Registrar. In every case of loss, theft, or destruction of a Bond, the applicant for a replacement bond shall furnish to the Board and to the Paying Agent/Registrar such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them harmless from any loss or damage with respect thereto. Also, in every case of loss, theft, or destruction of a Bond, the applicant shall furnish to the Board and to the Paying Agent/Registrar evidence to their satisfaction of the loss, theft, or destruction of such Bond, as the case may be. In every case of damage or mutilation of a Bond, the applicant shall surrender to the Paying Agent/Registrar for cancellation the Bond so damaged or mutilated.

(c) <u>Payment in Lieu of Replacement</u>. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section, in the event any such Bond shall have matured, and no default has occurred which is then continuing in the payment of the principal of or interest on the Bond, the Board may authorize the payment of the same (without surrender thereof except in the case of a damaged or mutilated Bond) instead of issuing a replacement Bond, provided security or indemnity is furnished as provided above in this Section.

(d) <u>Charge for Issuing Replacement Bonds</u>. Prior to the issuance of any replacement Bond, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall charge the owner of such Bond with all legal, printing, and other expenses in connection therewith. Every replacement Bond issued pursuant to the provisions of this Section by virtue of the fact that any Bond is lost, stolen, or destroyed shall constitute a contractual obligation of the Board whether or not the lost, stolen, or destroyed Bond shall be found at any time, or be enforceable by anyone, and shall be entitled to all the benefits of this Resolution equally and proportionately with any and all other Bonds duly issued under this Resolution. (e) <u>Authority for Issuing Replacement Bonds</u>. In accordance with Chapter 1201, Texas Government Code, as amended, this Section shall constitute authority for the issuance of any such replacement Bond without necessity of further action by the governing body of the Board or any other body or person, and the duty of the replacement of such Bonds is hereby authorized and imposed upon the Paying Agent/Registrar, and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall authenticate and deliver such Bonds in the form and manner and with the effect, as provided in Section 4(a) of this Resolution, for Bonds issued in exchange for other Bonds.

#### SECTION 17. DEFEASANCE OF BONDS.

(a) Any Bond and the interest thereon shall be deemed to be paid, retired and no longer outstanding (a "Defeased Bond") within the meaning of this Resolution, except to the extent provided in subsections (c) and (e) of this Section, when payment of the principal of such Bond, plus interest thereon, with respect to Current Interest Bonds, and/or the Maturity Amount with respect to Capital Appreciation Bonds, to the due date or dates (whether such due date or dates be by reason of maturity, upon redemption, or otherwise) either (i) shall have been made or caused to be made in accordance with the terms thereof (including the giving of any required notice of redemption or the establishment of irrevocable provisions for the giving of such notice) or (ii) shall have been provided for on or before such due date by irrevocably depositing with or making available to the Paying Agent/Registrar or an eligible trust company or commercial bank for such payment (1) lawful money of the United States of America sufficient to make such payment, (2) Government Obligations that mature as to principal and interest in such amounts and at such times as will ensure the availability, without reinvestment, of sufficient money to provide for such payment and when proper arrangements have been made by the Board with the Paying Agent/Registrar or an eligible trust company or commercial bank for the payment of its services until all Defeased Bonds shall have become due and payable or (3) any combination of (1) and (2). At such time as a Bond shall be deemed to be a Defeased Bond hereunder, as aforesaid, such Bond and the interest thereon shall no longer be secured by, payable from, or entitled to the benefits of, the revenues herein pledged as provided in this Resolution, and such principal and interest shall be payable solely from such money or Government Obligations.

(b) The deposit under clause (ii) of subsection (a) shall be deemed a payment of a Bond as aforesaid when proper notice of redemption of such Bonds shall have been given or upon the establishment of irrevocable provisions for the giving of such notice, in accordance with this Resolution. Any money so deposited with the Paying Agent/Registrar or an eligible trust company or commercial bank as provided in this Section may at the discretion of the Board also be invested in Government Obligations, maturing in the amounts and at the times as hereinbefore set forth, and all income from all Government Obligations in possession of the Paying Agent/Registrar or an eligible trust company or commercial bank pursuant to this Section which is not required for the payment of such Bond and premium, if any, and interest thereon with respect to which such money has been so deposited, shall be remitted to the Board.

(c) Notwithstanding any provision of any other Section of this Resolution which may be contrary to the provisions of this Section, all money or Government Obligations set aside and held in trust pursuant to the provisions of this Section for the payment of principal of the Bonds and premium, if any, and interest thereon, shall be applied to and used solely for the payment of the particular Bonds and premium, if any, and interest thereon, with respect to which such money or Government Obligations have been so set aside in trust. Until all Defeased Bonds shall have become due and payable, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall perform the services of Paying Agent/Registrar for such Defeased Bonds the same as if they had not been defeased, and the Board shall make proper arrangements to provide and pay for such services as required by this Resolution.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Resolution to the contrary, if money or Government Obligations have been deposited or set aside with the Paying Agent/Registrar or an eligible trust company or commercial bank pursuant to this Section for the payment of Bonds and such Bonds shall not have in fact been actually paid in full, no amendment of the provisions of this Section shall be made without the consent of the Registered Owner of each Bond affected thereby. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section to the contrary, any Taxable Bonds issued under this Resolution may be designated by the Authorized Representative in the Award Certificate as not being subject to defeasance if such Authorized Representative determines that such treatment is in the best economic interest of the Board.

(e) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this Section, to the extent that, upon the defeasance of any Defeased Bond to be paid at its maturity, the Board retains the right under State law to later call that Defeased Bond for redemption in accordance with the provisions of this Resolution, the Board may call such Defeased Bond for redemption upon complying with the provisions of State law and upon the satisfaction of the provisions of subsection (a) of this Section with respect to such Defeased Bond as though it was being defeased at the time of the exercise of the option to redeem the Defeased Bond and the effect of the redemption is taken into account in determining the sufficiency of the provisions made for the payment of the Defeased Bond. After all required deposits are made in connection with any related defeasance, the Bonds shall no longer be regarded as outstanding or unpaid.

## SECTION 18. CONTINUING DISCLOSURE.

Annual Reports. The Board shall provide annually to the MSRB, in an electronic (a) format as prescribed by the MSRB, within six months after the end of each Fiscal Year ending after the issuance and sale of each Series of Bonds pursuant to this Resolution, financial information and operating data with respect to the Permanent University Fund as determined by the Authorized Representative at the time the Bonds are sold. The Award Certificate shall specify such financial information and operating data. Any financial statements with respect to the Permanent University Fund so to be provided shall be (1) prepared on an accrual basis, or such other basis as the UT Board may be required to employ from time to time pursuant to State law or regulation, and (2) audited, if the UT Board commissions an audit of such statements and the audit is completed within the period during which they must be provided. If audited financial statements with respect to the Permanent University Fund are not so provided within the required period, then the Board shall provide unaudited financial statements with respect to the Permanent University Fund for the applicable Fiscal Year to the MSRB, in an electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB, and shall file audited financial statements with respect to the Permanent University Fund when and if such audited financial statements become available. If audited financial statements with respect to the Permanent University Fund are not prepared for any Fiscal Year and audited financial statements are prepared with respect to the State of Texas for such Fiscal Year, the Board shall provide, or cause to be provided, the audited financial statements of the State of Texas for the applicable Fiscal Year to the MSRB, in an electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB, within six months after the end of said Fiscal Year or as soon thereafter as such audited financial statements become available from the State Auditor of the State of Texas. Any such audited financial statements of the State of Texas so provided shall be prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for state governments, as such principles may be changed from time to time to comply with State law.

If the UT Board changes the Permanent University Fund's Fiscal Year, the Board will notify the MSRB of the change (and of the date of the new Fiscal Year end) prior to the next date by which the Board otherwise would be required to provide financial information and operating data pursuant to this Section.

The financial information and operating data to be provided pursuant to this subsection (a) may be set forth in full in one or more documents or may be included by specific reference to any document that is available to the public on the MSRB's internet web site or filed with the SEC.

Event Notices. As used in this subsection (b), the term "obligated person" shall (b) mean any person, including the Board, who is either generally or through an enterprise, fund, or account of such person committed by contract or other arrangement to support payment of all or part of the obligations on the Bonds (other than providers of municipal bond insurance, letters of credit, or other liquidity facilities). The Board shall notify the MSRB, in an electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB, in a timely manner not in excess of ten Business Days after the occurrence of the event, of any of the following events with respect to the Bonds: (i) principal and interest payment delinquencies; (ii) non-payment related defaults, if material; (iii) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties; (iv) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties; (v) substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform; (vi) adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the Bonds, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Bonds; (vii) modifications to rights of holders of the Bonds, if material; (viii) bond calls, if material, and tender offers; (ix) defeasances; (x) release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Bonds, if material; (xi) rating changes; (xii) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the obligated person; (xiii) the consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving an obligated person or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the obligated person, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms, if material; (xiv) the appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee, if material; (xv) incurrence of a Financial Obligation (as defined below) of the Board, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a Financial Obligation of the Board, any of which affect the holders of the outstanding Parity Obligations, if material; and (xvi) default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms or similar events under the terms of a Financial Obligation of the Board, any of which reflect financial difficulties.

For the purposes of the event identified in clause (xii) of the immediately preceding paragraph, the event is considered to occur when any of the following occur: the appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent or similar officer for an obligated person in a proceeding under the U.S.

Bankruptcy Code or in any other proceeding under state or federal law in which a court or governmental authority has assumed jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the obligated person, or if such jurisdiction has been assumed by leaving the existing governing body and officials or officers in possession but subject to the supervision and orders of a court or governmental authority, or the entry of an order confirming a plan of reorganization, arrangement or liquidation by a court or governmental authority having supervision or jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the obligated person. The Board intends the words used in clauses (xv) and (xvi), above, and the definition of "Financial Obligation" in this Section to have the same meanings as when it is used in the Rule, as evidenced by SEC Release NO. 34-83885, dated August 20, 2018.

In addition, the Board shall notify the MSRB, in an electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB, in a timely manner, of any failure by the Board to provide financial information or operating data in accordance with subsection (a) of this Section by the time required.

(c) <u>Identifying Information</u>. All information and notices shall be provided to the MSRB in an electronic format, as prescribed by the MSRB, and all documents provided to the MSRB pursuant to this Section 18 shall be accompanied by identifying information, as prescribed by the MSRB.

(d) <u>Limitations, Disclaimers, and Amendments</u>. The Board shall be obligated to observe and perform the covenants specified in this Section 18 for so long as, but only for so long as, the Board, the Permanent University Fund, or the Available University Fund Share remains an "obligated person" with respect to the Bonds within the meaning of the Rule, except that the Board in any event will give the notice required by Section 4 of this Resolution of any Bond calls and defeasance that cause the Board, the Permanent University Fund, or the Available University Fund Share to no longer be "obligated persons".

The provisions of this Section 18 are for the sole benefit of the holders and beneficial owners of the Bonds, and nothing in this Section 18, express or implied, shall give any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy, or claim hereunder to any other person. The Board undertakes to provide only the financial information, operating data, financial statements, and notices which it has expressly agreed to provide pursuant to this Section 18 and does not hereby undertake to provide any other information that may be relevant or material to a complete presentation of the Permanent University Fund's or the Available University Fund Share's financial results, condition, or prospects, or hereby undertake to update any information provided in accordance with this Section 18 or otherwise, except as expressly provided herein. The Board does not make any representation or warranty concerning such information or its usefulness to a decision to invest in or sell Bonds at any future date.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHALL THE BOARD BE LIABLE TO THE HOLDER OR BENEFICIAL OWNER OF ANY BOND OR ANY OTHER PERSON, IN CONTRACT OR TORT, FOR DAMAGES RESULTING IN WHOLE OR IN PART FROM ANY BREACH BY THE BOARD, WHETHER NEGLIGENT OR WITHOUT FAULT ON ITS PART, OF ANY COVENANT SPECIFIED IN THIS SECTION 18, BUT EVERY RIGHT AND REMEDY OF ANY SUCH PERSON, IN CONTRACT OR TORT, FOR OR ON ACCOUNT OF ANY SUCH

# BREACH SHALL BE LIMITED TO AN ACTION FOR MANDAMUS OR SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE.

No default by the Board in observing or performing its obligations under this Section 18 shall constitute a breach of or default under this Resolution for purposes of any other provision of this Resolution. Should the Rule be amended to obligate the Board to make filings with or provide notices to entities other than the MSRB, the Board hereby agrees to undertake such obligation with respect to the Bonds in accordance with the Rule as amended.

Nothing in this Section 18 is intended or shall act to disclaim, waive, or otherwise limit the duties of the Board under federal and State securities laws.

Except as otherwise authorized by Section 32, the provisions of this Section 18 may be amended by the Board from time to time to adapt to changed circumstances that arise from a change in legal requirements, a change in law, or a change in the identity, nature, status, or type of operations of the Board or the Permanent University Fund, but only if (i) the provisions of this Section 18, as so amended, would have permitted an underwriter to purchase or sell Bonds in the primary offering of the Bonds in compliance with the Rule, taking into account any amendments or interpretations of the Rule to the date of such amendment, as well as such changed circumstances, and (ii) either (A) the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount (or any greater amount required by any other provision of this Resolution that authorizes such an amendment) of the outstanding Bonds consent to such amendment or (B) a person that is unaffiliated with the Board and the Permanent University Fund (such as nationally-recognized bond counsel) determines that such amendment will not materially impair the interests of the holders and beneficial owners of the Bonds. If the Board so amends the provisions of this Section 18, it shall include with any amended financial information or operating data next provided in accordance with this Section 18 an explanation, in narrative form, of the reasons for the amendment and of the impact of any change in the type of financial information or operating data so provided. The Board may also amend or repeal the provisions of this continuing disclosure requirement if the SEC amends or repeals the applicable provisions of the Rule or a court of final jurisdiction enters judgment that such provisions of the Rule are invalid, but only if and to the extent that the provisions of this sentence would not prevent an underwriter from lawfully purchasing or selling Bonds in the primary offering of the Bonds.

# SECTION 19. PROVISIONS CONCERNING FEDERAL INCOME TAX EXCLUSION.

(a) <u>General Tax Covenant</u>. As used in this Section 19, the term "Bonds" shall mean only Bonds issued as Tax-Exempt Bonds. The Board covenants not to take any action or omit to take any action that, if taken or omitted, would cause the interest on the Bonds to be includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes. In furtherance thereof, the Board covenants to comply with sections 103 and 141 through 150 of the Code and the provisions set forth in the federal tax certificate executed by the Board in connection with the Bonds.

(b) <u>No Private Use or Payment and No Private Loan Financing</u>. The Board covenants that it will use the proceeds of the Bonds (including investment income) and the property financed, directly or indirectly, with such proceeds so that the Bonds will not be "private activity bonds"

within the meaning of section 141 of the Code. Furthermore, the Board will not take a deliberate action (as defined in section 1.141-2(d)(3) of the Regulations) that causes the Bonds to be a "private activity bond" unless it takes a remedial action permitted by section 1.141-12 of the Regulations.

(c) <u>No Federal Guarantee</u>. The Board covenants not to take any action or omit to take any action that, if taken or omitted, would cause the Bonds to be "federally guaranteed" within the meaning of section 149(b) of the Code, except as permitted by section 149(b)(3) of the Code.

(d) <u>No Hedge Bonds</u>. The Board covenants not to take any action or omit to take action that, if taken or omitted, would cause the Bonds to be "hedge bonds" within the meaning of section 149(g) of the Code.

(e) <u>No Arbitrage</u>. The Board covenants that it will make such use of the proceeds of the Bonds (including investment income) and regulate the investment of such proceeds of the Bonds so that the Bonds will not be "arbitrage bonds" within the meaning of section 148(a) of the Code.

(f) <u>Arbitrage Rebate</u>. The Board covenants that, if the Board does not qualify for an exception to the requirements of section 148(f) of the Code, the Board will comply with the requirement that certain amounts earned by the Board on the investment of the gross proceeds of the Bonds, be rebated to the United States.

(g) <u>Information Reporting</u> The Board covenants to file or cause to be filed with the Secretary of the Treasury an information statement concerning the Bonds in accordance with section 149(e) of the Code.

(h) <u>Record Retention</u> The Board covenants to retain all material records relating to the expenditure of the proceeds (including investment income) of the Bonds and, if applicable, any obligations refunded therewith, and the use of the property financed, directly or indirectly, thereby until three years after the last Bond is redeemed or paid at maturity (or such other period as provided by subsequent guidance issued by the Department of the Treasury) in a manner that ensures their complete access throughout such retention period.

(i) <u>Continuing Obligation</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Resolution, the Board's obligations under the federal tax covenants set forth above will survive the defeasance and discharge of the Bonds for as long as such matters are relevant to the excludability of interest on the Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes.

(j) <u>Official Intent.</u> For purposes of section 1.150-2(d) of the Regulations, to the extent that an official intent to reimburse has not previously been adopted by the Board, this Resolution serves as the Board's official declaration of intent to use proceeds of the Bonds to reimburse itself from proceeds of the Bonds issued in the maximum amount authorized by this Resolution for certain expenditures paid in connection with the projects set forth herein. Any such reimbursement will only be made (i) for an original expenditure paid no earlier than 60 days prior to the date hereof and (ii) not later than 18 months after the later of (A) the date the original expenditure is paid or

(B) the date of with the project to which such expenditure relates is placed in service or abandoned, but in to event more than three years after the original expenditure is paid.

## SECTION 20. SALE OF THE BONDS.

(a) The Authorized Representative is hereby authorized to act for and on behalf of the Board in connection with the issuance and sale of the Bonds. In that capacity, the Authorized Representative, acting for and on behalf of the Board, shall determine the dates for the issuance and sale of the Bonds and all other matters relating to the issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds as set forth in Section 2(b) of this Resolution.

(b) Except as set forth in subsection (c) of this Section 20, the Bonds of each Series shall be sold through competitive bidding as required by the Constitutional Provision. For any Series of Bonds to be sold through competitive bidding pursuant to the terms hereof, the Authorized Representative shall prepare a notice of sale and bidding instructions (including an official bid form) with respect thereto to be in substantially the form and substance previously approved by the Board in connection with the authorization of Parity Obligations, which form is hereby approved, but with such changes and completions as the Authorized Representative may approve.

(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b) of this Section 20 or any other provisions in this Resolution, any Series of Bonds constituting Refunding Bonds may be sold in the manner deemed by the Authorized Representative to be the most economically advantageous to the Board, as set forth in the Award Certificate.

If the Authorized Representative determines that a Series of Refunding Bonds should be sold by a negotiated sale, the Authorized Representative shall designate the senior managing underwriter for such Refunding Bonds and such additional investment banking firms as he or she deems appropriate to assure that the Refunding Bonds are sold on the most advantageous terms to the Board. The Authorized Representative, acting for and on behalf of the Board, is authorized to approve, execute, and deliver a Bond Purchase Contract for each Series of Refunding Bonds to be sold by negotiated sale, with the underwriter(s) thereof at such price, with and subject to such terms as determined by the Authorized Representative pursuant to Section 2 of this Resolution. Each Bond Purchase Contract shall be substantially in the form and substance previously approved by the Board in connection with the authorization of Parity Obligations or the Board's revenue financing System obligations with such changes as are acceptable to the Authorized Representative, including those set forth in this Resolution with respect to disclosure documents and continuing disclosure provisions. The Authorized Representative's approval of a Bond Purchase Contract shall be conclusively evidenced by said Authorized Representative's execution thereof.

(d) Following the award of the sale of each Series of Bonds the Authorized Representative shall notify the Paying Agent/Registrar in writing of the identity of the purchaser of the Bonds and of the following terms for such Bonds: Series designation; dated date and Issuance Date; date from which interest accrues; principal amount; maturities; redemption provisions; rate or rates of interest; and first interest payment date. The Authorized Representative shall deliver the Initial Bonds of such Series to the purchasers thereof against payment therefor.

(e) The authority conferred by this Resolution to (i) act on behalf of the Board in selling any Series of Bonds and (ii) award the sale of the Bonds of such Series to a bidder in a competitive sale or execute one or more Bond Purchase Contract(s) pursuant to this Section shall expire at 11:59 p.m. on May 7, 2025. Any Series of Bonds awarded pursuant to an official bid form or sold pursuant to a Bond Purchase Contract executed on or before May 7, 2025, may be delivered after such date.

**SECTION 21. PROCEEDS OF SALE.** Proceeds from the sale of each Series of Bonds shall, promptly upon receipt thereof, be applied by the Authorized Representative as follows:

(i) accrued interest for the Bonds, if any, shall be deposited in the Interest and Sinking Fund to be used to pay interest on the Bonds on the first interest payment date therefor;

(ii) if the Series of Bonds is being issued to refund Refunded Obligations, there shall be applied, from the remaining proceeds from the sale of such Bonds, the amounts specified in Section 23 of this Resolution; and

(iii) any proceeds from the sale of such Bonds remaining after the deposits provided for in clauses (i) and (ii) above shall be used to pay Project Costs of Eligible Projects and, to the extent not otherwise provided for, to pay all expenses arising in connection with the issuance of such Bonds and the refunding of the Refunded Obligations, as appropriate.

Any sale proceeds of the Bonds remaining after making all deposits and payments provided for above shall be deposited into the Interest and Sinking Fund.

**SECTION 22. APPROVAL OF OFFICIAL STATEMENT.** The Authorized Representative, acting for and on behalf of the Board, is authorized and directed to provide for and oversee the preparation of a preliminary official statement to be prepared for distribution (which may be made electronically) and to be used in the offering and sale of the Bonds. The Authorized Representative, acting for and on behalf of the Board, is hereby authorized to approve the form of the preliminary official statement and to deem the preliminary official statement to be final as of its date, except for such omissions as are permitted by the Rule. The Authorized Representative, acting for and on behalf of the Board, shall cause a final official statement to be prepared and provided in compliance with the Rule. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Authorized Representative may prepare one preliminary official statement and one final official statement with respect to multiple Series of such Bonds so sold.

# SECTION 23. REFUNDING AND REDEMPTION OF REFUNDED OBLIGATIONS; ESCROW AGREEMENT.

(a) Concurrently with the delivery of each Series of Bonds issued to refund Refunded Notes, the Authorized Representative shall cause to be deposited with the issuing and paying agent for the Refunded Notes or with an Escrow Agent selected by the Authorized Representative, from the proceeds from the sale of such Series of Bonds and other legally available funds, an amount sufficient to provide for the refunding and defeasance of such Refunded Notes, in accordance with Chapter 1207, Texas Government Code, as amended. In the event it is deemed necessary, the

Authorized Representative is hereby authorized to select one or more Escrow Agent(s) with respect to the Refunded Notes and to enter into one or more Escrow Agreements. The Authorized Representative is further authorized and directed to apply and there is hereby appropriated such moneys of the Board as are necessary (i) to provide for the defeasance of such Refunded Notes on the date of delivery of the Bonds or (ii) to fund the Escrow Fund to be created pursuant to the Escrow Agreement(s) with amounts sufficient to provide for the defeasance of the Refunded Notes.

(b) Concurrently with the delivery of each Series of Bonds issued to refund Refunded Bonds, the Authorized Representative shall cause to be deposited with the paying agent for the Refunded Bonds or with an Escrow Agent selected by the Authorized Representative, from the proceeds from the sale of such Series of Bonds and other legally available funds, an amount sufficient to provide for the refunding and defeasance of such Refunded Bonds, in accordance with Chapter 1207, Texas Government Code, as amended. In the event it is deemed necessary, the Authorized Representative is hereby authorized to select one or more Escrow Agent(s) with respect to the Refunded Bonds and to enter into one or more Escrow Agreements. The Authorized Representative is further authorized and directed to apply and there is hereby appropriated such moneys of the Board as are necessary (i) to provide for the defeasance of such Refunded Bonds on the date of delivery of the Bonds or (ii) to fund the Escrow Fund to be created pursuant to the Escrow Agreement(s) with amounts sufficient to provide for the defeasance of the Refunded Bonds on the date of delivery of the Bonds or (ii) to fund the Escrow Fund to be created pursuant to the Escrow Agreement(s) with amounts sufficient to provide for the defeasance of the Refunded Bonds.

(c) As provided in Section 2(b) of this Resolution, the Authorized Representative shall determine the particular Subordinate Lien Obligations and Potential Refunded Bonds to be refunded by a Series of Bonds subject, in the case of the Refunded Bonds, to the present value savings requirement of said Section 2(b).

(d) Subject to the execution of an Award Certificate and the determination by the Authorized Representative of the Refunded Bonds to be refunded by a Series of Bonds, the Board irrevocably calls the particular Potential Refunded Bonds constituting Refunded Bonds for redemption prior to maturity on the first optional redemption date following delivery of the Bonds of such Series, for which all of the notice requirements for redemption can reasonably be met, at a redemption price of par (plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption).

The Authorized Representative, acting for and on behalf of the Board, shall provide for notice of such redemption to be given in accordance with the resolution(s) of the Board authorizing the Refunded Bonds.

(e) If the Authorized Representative determines to execute an Escrow Agreement relating to the Refunded Notes or the Refunded Bonds, to assure the purchase of the "Escrowed Securities" referred to in the respective Escrow Agreements for the Refunded Notes or the Refunded Bonds, the Authorized Representative, acting for and on behalf of the Board, is hereby authorized to subscribe for, agree to purchase and purchase "Government Obligations" and "Defeasance Obligations" (as defined in resolutions authorizing the Refunded Notes or the Parity Bond Resolutions authorizing the Refunded Bonds, as appropriate) in such amounts and maturities and bearing interest at such rates as may be provided for in such Escrow Agreement, and to execute any and all subscriptions, purchase agreements, commitments, letters of authorization and other

documents necessary to effectuate the foregoing, and is authorized to create and fund the "Escrow Fund" contemplated by such Escrow Agreement through the use of the proceeds of the Series of Bonds issued to refund the Refunded Notes or the Refunded Bonds, the moneys and investments held in the fund securing the Refunded Notes or the Refunded Bonds, and other lawfully available moneys of the Board.

(f) To satisfy in a timely manner all of the Board's obligations under this Resolution and the Escrow Agreement(s), the Authorized Representative and all other appropriate officers and agents of the Board are hereby severally authorized and directed for and on behalf of the Board to take all other actions that are reasonably necessary to provide for the refunding of the Refunded Notes or the Refunded Bonds, including, without limitation, executing and delivering for and on behalf of the Board all certificates, consents, receipts, requests, and other documents as may be reasonably necessary to satisfy the Board's obligations under the Escrow Agreement(s) and this Resolution and to direct the transfer and application of funds of the Board consistent with the provisions of such Escrow Agreement(s) and this Resolution.

**SECTION 24. AGREEMENTS AUTHORIZED.** The Paying Agent/Registrar Agreement, the Escrow Agreements, if used, and the Bond Purchase Contract are hereby approved and the Authorized Representative is hereby authorized to execute and deliver same and to execute certificates and other documents pursuant to any such agreement to carry out the intent thereof.

**SECTION 25. PARTIES INTERESTED HEREIN.** Nothing in this Resolution expressed or implied is intended or shall be construed to confer upon, or to give to, any person or entity, other than the Board, the Paying Agent/Registrar, and the Registered Owners any right, remedy, or claim under or by reason of this Resolution or any covenant, condition, or stipulation hereof, and all covenants, stipulations, promises, and agreements in this Resolution contained by and on behalf of the Board shall be for the sole and exclusive benefit of the Board, the Paying Agent/Registrar, and the Registered Owners.

**SECTION 26. REMEDIES.** Any owner or holder of any of the Bonds or Additional Parity Obligations, when issued, in the event of default in connection with any covenant contained herein or default in the payment of said obligations, or of any interest thereon, shall have the right to institute mandamus proceedings against the Board or any other necessary or appropriate party for the purpose of enforcing payment from the source pledged herein or for enforcing any covenant herein contained.

**SECTION 27. INDIVIDUALS NOT LIABLE.** All covenants, stipulations, obligations, and agreements of the Board contained in this Resolution shall be deemed to be covenants, stipulations, obligations, and agreements of the System and the Board to the full extent authorized or permitted by the Constitution and laws of the State. No covenant, stipulation, obligation, or agreement herein contained shall be deemed to be a covenant, stipulation, obligation, or agreement of the Board or agent or employee of the Board in his individual capacity and neither the members of the Board nor any officer thereof shall be liable personally on the Parity Obligations or be subject to any personal liability or accountability by reason of the issuance thereof.

# SECTION 28. EXECUTION, CUSTODY, APPROVAL, AND REGISTRATION OF BONDS; BOND COUNSEL'S OPINION; AND CUSIP NUMBERS.

(a) The Bonds shall be executed either manually or by facsimile signature on behalf of the Board by the Chairman or Vice Chairman of the Board and countersigned by the Executive Director of the Board, or the Assistant to the Board, and the official seal of the Board shall be impressed or placed in facsimile thereon. Such facsimile signatures on the Bonds shall have the same effect as if each of the Bonds had been signed manually and in person by said officers of the Board, and such facsimile seal on the Bonds shall have the same effect as if the official seal of the Board had been manually impressed upon each of the Bonds.

(b) The Authorized Representative is hereby authorized to have control of the Initial Bonds of each Series issued and delivered hereunder and all necessary records and proceedings pertaining to such Bonds pending their delivery and approval by the Attorney General and their registration by the Comptroller. Upon registration of the Bonds of a Series, the Comptroller (or a deputy designated in writing to act for the Comptroller) shall manually sign the Comptroller's Registration Certificate printed or attached to the Initial Bonds of such Series, and the seal of said Comptroller shall be impressed or placed in facsimile thereon. The Bond Counsel Opinion and the assigned CUSIP numbers may, at the option of the Board, be printed on the Initial Bonds of such Series or on any Bonds issued and delivered in exchange or replacement of any Bond, but neither of such items shall be binding upon the Board or have any legal effect, and shall be solely for the convenience and information of the Registered Owners of the Bonds. If insurance is obtained on any of the Bonds, the Bonds shall bear, as appropriate and applicable, a legend concerning insurance as provided by the insurer.

**SECTION 29. DTC LETTER OF REPRESENTATIONS.** The Authorized Representative is authorized to implement the Book-Entry-Only System of Bond registration with respect to the Bonds pursuant to the Representation Letter. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, while the Bonds are subject to DTC's Book-Entry-Only System and to the extent permitted by law, the Representation Letter is hereby incorporated herein and its provisions shall prevail over any other provisions of this Resolution in the event of conflict. Provisions relating to DTC, its Book-Entry-Only System of registration, and the Representation Letter are set forth in Section 14 of this Resolution.

**SECTION 30. APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS.** The Authorized Representative is further authorized and directed to apply and there is hereby appropriated such money of the Board as is necessary (i) to pay the costs of issuance of Bonds incurred in connection with the issuance thereof and the refunding of the Refunded Obligations, to the extent not paid from Bond proceeds and (ii) to make the deposits described in Sections 21 and 23 in amounts sufficient, together with the proceeds of the Bonds, to provide for the defeasance of the Refunded Obligations on the date of delivery of the Bonds.

**SECTION 31. DEFEASANCE OF OUTSTANDING PARITY BONDS.** (a) The Board desires to authorize the use of certain lawfully available funds of the Board, including but not limited to Available University Fund moneys, as determined by the Authorized Representative, to defease, from time to time, certain Outstanding Parity Bonds previously issued by the Board in accordance with the applicable defeasance provisions in the respective resolutions authorizing

their issuance. The Authorized Representative is hereby authorized to determine and retire, from time to time, the various portions of such Outstanding Parity Bonds which are economically advantageous for the Board to retire by the defeasance of such Bonds. The Authorized Representative is authorized to enter into one or more Escrow Agreements in substantially the standard form previously approved by the Board to accomplish such defeasances. In the event of such a defeasance, the Authorized Representative is authorized hereby to take such steps as may be necessary to purchase the escrowed securities identified in such escrow agreements on behalf of the Board and is authorized to create and fund the escrow funds contemplated by such Escrow Agreements through the use of the lawfully available funds of the Board. The Authorized Representative is authorized to call for redemption such Outstanding Parity Bonds defeased pursuant to this Section and is hereby authorized to provide and complete an appropriate notice of redemption to the paying agent(s) and/or registrar(s) for such Outstanding Parity Bonds upon the deposit with the Escrow Agent of such available funds and compliance with the conditions set forth in the Escrow Agreements.

(b) Except as provided in the following sentence, the Board hereby (i) expressly reserves the right to call for redemption any Outstanding Parity Bonds defeased pursuant to this Section in accordance with the applicable redemption provisions contained in the respective resolution authorizing their issuance, (ii) directs the Authorized Representative to give notice of the reservation of such right to the owners of such Outstanding Parity Bonds immediately following the making of the firm banking and financial arrangements for such defeasance, and (iii) directs the Authorized Representative to include notice of such reservation in any notice of redemption authorized pursuant to this Section. Notwithstanding the immediately preceding sentence, the Authorized Representative, upon determining that doing so is in the best interest of the Board, may elect on behalf of the Board not to retain the right to call such Outstanding Parity Bonds for redemption by choosing not to give the notices required in clauses (ii) and (iii) of the immediately preceding sentence.

(c) The Board hereby expressly authorizes the expenditure of, and appropriates for such purpose, moneys in the Available University Fund constituting the Available University Fund Share in the amount determined by the Authorized Representative for the purpose of defeasing Outstanding Parity Bonds in accordance with the terms of this Section 31; provided that, the remaining balance of the Available University Fund Share after giving effect to any such expenditure shall not be less than the sum of (i) the amount necessary for the Board to be able to fully observe and comply with its covenants and obligations, as appropriate, under (A) the Constitutional Provision, (B) all Parity Bond Resolutions and resolutions of the Board authorizing the issuance of Subordinate Lien Obligations that are then outstanding, and (C) all other resolutions or agreements then outstanding pursuant to which the obligations of the Board thereunder are payable from the Available University Fund Share, plus (ii) to the extent not included in clause (i) of this sentence, any unexpended amounts previously appropriated by the Board for the support and maintenance of The Texas A&M University System administration, Texas A&M University and Prairie View A&M University.

**SECTION 32. FURTHER PROCEDURES.** The Chairman of the Board, the Vice Chairman of the Board, the Executive Director of the Board, each Authorized Representative, and all other officers, employees, and agents of the Board, and each of them, shall be and they are hereby expressly authorized, empowered, and directed from time to time and at any time to do and

perform all such acts and things and to execute, acknowledge, and deliver in the name and under the seal and on behalf of the Board all such agreements, documents, and instruments, whether or not herein mentioned, as may be necessary or desirable in order to carry out the terms and provisions of this Resolution, the Bonds, the preliminary official statement, the official statement, the Paying Agent/Registrar Agreement, each Escrow Agreement, any Bond Purchase Contract, and the Representation Letter. In addition, each Authorized Representative, the General Counsel of the System, and Bond Counsel are hereby authorized to approve, subsequent to the date of the adoption of this Resolution, any amendments to the above named documents, and any technical amendments to this Resolution as may be required by any Nationally-Recognized Rating Agency as a condition to the granting of a rating on the Bonds, as may be required by the Attorney General as a condition to the approval of the Bonds and as may be required to assist the underwriters in complying with the Rule.

In case any officer whose signature shall appear on the Bonds shall cease to be such officer before the delivery of the Bonds, such signature shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes the same as if such officer had remained in office until such delivery. It is further provided the Authorized Representative is hereby designated as the officer responsible for making the certifications required by the Parity Bond Resolutions as a condition to the issuance of obligations on a parity with the Outstanding Parity Bonds.

**SECTION 33. PUBLIC NOTICE.** It is hereby found and determined that each of the officers and members of the Board were duly and sufficiently notified officially and personally, in advance, of the time, place, and purpose of the meeting at which this Resolution was adopted; that this Resolution would be introduced and considered for adoption at said meeting; that said meeting was open to the public, and public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given, all as required by Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, as amended.

**SECTION 34. NONPRESENTMENT OF BONDS.** In the event any Bond shall not be presented for payment when the principal thereof or interest thereon, if applicable, becomes due, either at maturity or otherwise, or if any check or draft representing payment of principal of or interest on the Bonds shall not be presented for payment, if funds sufficient to pay the principal of or interest on such Bond shall have been made available by the Board to the Paying Agent/Registrar for the benefit of the Registered Owner thereof, all liability of the Board to such Registered Owner for the payment of the principal of or interest on such Bond shall cease, terminate, and be completely discharged, and thereupon it shall be the duty of the Paying Agent/Registrar to hold such funds in trust, uninvested and without liability for interest thereon, for the benefit of whatever nature on his part under this Resolution with respect to the principal of or interest on such Bond. To the extent applicable, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall hold and apply any such funds in accordance with Title 6, Texas Property Code, as amended, and shall comply with the reporting requirements of Chapter 74, Texas Property Code, as amended.

**SECTION 35. INTERPRETATIONS.** The titles and headings of the articles and sections of this Resolution have been inserted for convenience of reference only and are not to be considered a part hereof and shall not in any way modify or restrict any of the terms or provisions hereof. Except where the context otherwise requires, words importing the singular number shall include the plural number and vice versa; words importing the masculine gender shall include the

feminine and neuter genders and vice versa. Reference to any document means that document as amended or supplemented from time to time. Reference to any party to a document means that party and its successors and assigns. Reference herein to any article, section, subsection or other subdivision, as applicable, unless specifically stated otherwise, means the article, section, subsection or other subdivision, as applicable, of this Resolution.

**SECTION 36. SEVERABILITY.** The provisions of this Resolution are severable; and in case any one or more of the provisions of this Resolution or the application thereof to any person or circumstance should be held to be invalid, unconstitutional, or ineffective as to any person or circumstance, the remainder of this Resolution nevertheless shall be valid, and the application of any such invalid provision to persons or circumstances other than those as to which it is held invalid shall not be affected thereby.

**SECTION 37. RECITALS INCORPORATED.** The recitals of this Resolution are hereby incorporated by reference as if copied in full.

**SECTION 38. IMMEDIATE EFFECT.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

**SECTION 39. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING RESOLUTIONS.** All resolutions and all parts of any resolutions which are in conflict or are inconsistent with this Resolution are hereby repealed and shall be of no further force or effect to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency.

## EXHIBIT A

### FORM OF BONDS

### [FORM OF FIRST TWO PARAGRAPHS OF CURRENT INTEREST BONDS]

## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA STATE OF TEXAS

NO. R - \_\_\_\_\_

REGISTERED

PRINCIPAL AMOUNT

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# REGISTERED

## BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM PERMANENT UNIVERSITY FUND BONDS, SERIES \_\_\_\_\_

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ON THE MATURITY DATE, specified above, the BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM (the "Board"), being an agency of the State of Texas, hereby promises to pay to the Registered Owner, specified above, or the registered assignee hereof (either being hereinafter called the "registered owner") the Principal Amount, specified above, and to pay interest thereon calculated on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months, from the Issuance Date specified above, to the date of its scheduled maturity or the date of its redemption prior to scheduled maturity, at the Interest Rate per annum, specified above, with said interest being payable on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_, and semiannually on each \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_ thereafter, except that if the date of authentication of this Bond is later than the first Record Date (hereinafter defined), such principal amount shall bear interest from the interest payment date next preceding the date of authentication, unless such date of authentication is after any Record Date but on or before the next following interest payment date.

THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON this Bond are payable in lawful money of the United States of America, without exchange or collection charges. The principal of this Bond shall be paid to the registered owner hereof upon presentation and surrender of this Bond at maturity or upon the date fixed for its redemption prior to maturity, at the designated payment office of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_, which is the "Paying Agent/Registrar" for this Bond. The payment of interest on this Bond shall be made by the Paying Agent/Registrar to the registered owner hereof as shown by the "Registration Books" kept by the Paying Agent/Registrar at the close of business on the Record Date (hereinafter described) by check drawn by the Paying Agent/Registrar on, and payable solely from, funds of the Board required to be on deposit with the Paying Agent/Registrar by United States mail, first-class postage prepaid, on

each such interest payment date, to the registered owner hereof at its address as it appears on the Registration Books kept by the Paying Agent/Registrar, as hereinafter described. Upon written request, the registered owner of any Bonds of at least \$1,000,000 in principal amount may receive payment of interest by wire transfer to any designated account within the United States of America. The record date for determining the person to whom interest is payable on any interest payment date (the "Record Date") means the 15th calendar day of the month next preceding such interest payment date. In the event of a non-payment of interest on a scheduled payment date, and for 30 calendar days thereafter, a new Record Date for such interest payment (a "Special Record Date") will be established by the Paying Agent/Registrar, if and when funds for the payment of such interest have been received from the Board. Notice of the Special Record Date and of the scheduled payment date of the past due interest (which shall be 15 days after the Special Record Date) shall be sent at least five Business Days prior to the Special Record Date by United States mail, first-class postage prepaid, to the address of each registered owner of a Bond appearing on the books of the Paying Agent/Registrar at the close of business on the last Business Day next preceding the date of mailing of such notice. The Board covenants with the registered owner of this Bond that no later than each principal payment date and interest payment date for this Bond it will make available to the Paying Agent/Registrar the amounts required to provide for the payment, in immediately available funds by wire transfer or other means acceptable to the Paying Agent/Registrar, of all principal of and interest on the Bonds, when due, in the manner set forth in the resolution authorizing the issuance of this Bond adopted by the Board on May 7, 2024 (the "Resolution"). Notwithstanding the foregoing, during any period in which ownership of the Bonds is determined by a book entry at a securities depository for the Bonds, payments made to the securities depository, or its nominee, shall be made in accordance with arrangements between the Board and the securities depository. Terms used herein and not otherwise defined have the meanings given in the Resolution.

## [FORM OF FIRST TWO PARAGRAPHS OF CAPITAL APPRECIATION BONDS]

### UNITED STATES OF AMERICA STATE OF TEXAS

NO. CR - \_\_\_\_

MATURITY AMOUNT \$

## BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM PERMANENT UNIVERSITY FUND BONDS, SERIES \_\_\_\_\_

| INTEREST RATE    | MATURITY DATE | ISSUANCE DATE | CUSIP NO. |
|------------------|---------------|---------------|-----------|
| %                | , 20          |               |           |
| REGISTERED OWNER | :             |               |           |
| MATURITY AMOUNT  | :             | DOLLA         | ARS (\$)  |

ON THE MATURITY DATE, specified above, the BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM (the "Board"), being an agency of the State of Texas, hereby promises to pay to the Registered Owner specified above or the registered assignee hereof (either being hereinafter called the "registered owner") the Maturity Amount specified above, representing the principal amount hereof and accrued and compounded interest hereon. Interest shall accrete on the original principal amount hereof from the Issuance Date at the interest rate per annum specified above (subject to rounding to the Compounded Amounts as provided in the Bond Resolution), compounded semi-annually on \_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_ of each year, commencing \_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_. For convenience of reference, a table appears on the back of this Bond showing the "Compounded Amount" of the original principal amount per \$5,000 Maturity Amount compounded semi-annually at the yield shown on such table.

THE MATURITY AMOUNT OF this Bond are payable in lawful money of the United States of America, without exchange or collection charges. The Maturity Amount or Compounded Amount of this Bond shall be paid to the registered owner hereof upon presentation and surrender of this Bond at maturity or upon the date fixed for its redemption prior to maturity, at the designated payment office of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, which is the "Paying Agent/Registrar" for this Bond. The Board covenants with the registered owner of this Bond that on or before the Maturity Date for this Bond it will make available to the Paying Agent/Registrar the amounts required to provide for the payment, in immediately available funds by wire transfer or other means acceptable to the Paying Agent/Registrar, of the Maturity Amount when due, in the manner set forth in the resolution authorizing the issuance of this Bond adopted by the Board on May 7, 2024 (the "Resolution"). Notwithstanding the foregoing, during any period in which ownership of the Bonds is determined by a book entry at a securities depository for the Bonds, payments made to the securities depository, or its nominee, shall be made in accordance with arrangements between the Board and the securities depository. Terms used herein and not otherwise defined have the meanings given in the Resolution.

## [FORM OF REMAINDER OF CURRENT INTEREST BONDS AND CAPITAL APPRECIATION BONDS]

THIS BOND is one of a series of bonds of like tenor and effect, except as to denomination, number, maturity, interest rate, interest payment, and right of prior redemption, dated \_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_, and issued in the aggregate principal amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ for the purposes of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \*[and comprised of (i) Bonds in the aggregate principal amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that pay interest only at maturity (the "Capital Appreciation Bonds") and (ii) Bonds in the aggregate principal amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that pay interest Bonds")].

\*[THE BONDS maturing on \_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_ (The "Term Bonds") shall be subject to mandatory redemption at par plus accrued interest in the following principal amounts on the following dates:

## OF THE YEAR

### <u>AMOUNT</u>

### (final maturity)

The Term Bonds to be redeemed shall be selected by lot or other customary random method of the Paying Agent/Registrar (or by the securities depository in accordance with its procedures while the Bonds are in book-entry-only form). Any Term Bonds not selected for prior redemption shall be paid on the date of their stated maturity. At least thirty (30) days prior to each mandatory redemption date, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall cause a notice of redemption to be given in the manner provided herein.

The principal amount of the Term Bonds for a stated maturity required to be redeemed pursuant to the operation of such mandatory redemption provisions may be reduced, at the option of the Board, by the principal amount of any Term Bonds of like stated maturity which, at least 50 days prior to the mandatory redemption date, (1) shall have been defeased or acquired by the Board and delivered to the Paying Agent/Registrar at the request of the Board, or (2) shall have been redeemed pursuant to the optional redemption provisions and not theretofore credited against mandatory redemption requirement.]

\*[ON \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_, or on any date thereafter, the Bonds of this Series scheduled to mature on \_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_, and thereafter may be redeemed prior to their scheduled maturities, at the option of the Board, with funds derived from any available and lawful source, as a whole, or in part, and, if in part, the particular Bonds, or portion thereof, to be redeemed shall be selected and designated by the Board (provided that a portion of a Bond may be redeemed only in an integral multiple of \$5,000), at a redemption price equal to \_\_\_\_\_\_ plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption; provided that during any period in which ownership of the Bonds is determined by a book entry at a securities depository for the Bonds, if fewer than all of the Bonds of the same maturity and bearing the same interest rate are to be redeemed, the particular Bonds of such maturity and bearing such interest rate shall be selected in accordance with the arrangements between the Board and the securities depository.]

\*[AT LEAST 30 days prior to the date for any redemption of this Bond prior to maturity, a notice of such redemption shall be sent by the Paying Agent/Registrar by United States mail, first-class postage prepaid, to the registered owner of each Bond, or portion thereof to be redeemed, at its address as it appeared on the Registration Books on the 45th day prior to such redemption date and to each registered securities depository and to any national information service that disseminates such notices; provided, however, that the failure to send, mail, or receive such notice, or any defect therein or in the sending or mailing thereof, shall not affect the validity or effectiveness of the proceedings for the redemption of any Bond. By the date fixed for any such redemption, due provision shall be made by the Board with the Paying Agent/Registrar for the payment of the required redemption price for this Bond or the portion hereof which is to be so redeemed, plus accrued interest thereon to the date fixed for redemption. If such notice of redemption is given, and if due provision for such payment is made, all as provided above, this Bond, or the portion thereof which is to be so redeemed, thereby automatically shall be redeemed prior to its scheduled maturity, and shall not bear interest after the date fixed for its redemption, and shall not be regarded as being outstanding except for the right of the registered owner to receive the redemption price plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption from the Paying Agent/Registrar out of the funds provided for such payment. The Paying Agent/Registrar shall record in the Registration Books all such redemptions of principal of this Bond or any portion hereof. If a portion of any Bond shall be redeemed, a substitute Bond or Bonds having the same maturity date, bearing interest at the same rate, in any denomination or denominations in any integral multiple of \$5,000, at the written request of the registered owner, and in an aggregate principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion thereof, will be issued to the registered owner upon the surrender thereof for cancellation, at the expense of the Board, all as provided in the Resolution.]

IF AT THE TIME of mailing of notice of any optional redemption in connection with a refunding of the Bonds, the Board shall not have deposited with the Paying Agent/Registrar moneys sufficient to redeem all of the Bonds called for redemption, such notice may state that it is conditional in that it is subject to the deposit of the proceeds of refunding bonds with the Paying Agent/Registrar not later than the redemption date, and such notice shall be of no effect unless such moneys are so deposited.

IF THE DATE for the payment of the principal of or interest on this Bond shall be a Saturday, a Sunday, a legal holiday, or a day on which banking institutions in the city where the Paying Agent/Registrar is located are authorized by law or executive order to close, then the date for such payment shall be the next succeeding day which is not such a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday, or day on which banking institutions are authorized to close; and payment on such date shall have the same force and effect as if made on the original date payment was due.

ALL BONDS OF THIS SERIES are issuable solely as fully registered bonds, without interest coupons, \*[[with respect to Current Interest Bonds,] in the denomination of any integral multiple of \$5,000] [[with respect to Capital Appreciation Bonds,] in the denomination of \$5,000 Maturity Amounts or any integral multiple thereof.] As provided in the Resolution, this Bond, or any unredeemed portion hereof, may, at the request of the registered owner or the assignee or assignees hereof, be assigned, transferred, and exchanged for a like aggregate principal amount of fully registered bonds, without interest coupons, payable to the appropriate registered owner, assignee, or assignees, as the case may be, having the same maturity date, and bearing interest at

the same rate, in any denomination or denominations in any integral multiple of \$5,000 as requested in writing by the appropriate registered owner, assignee, or assignees, as the case may be, upon surrender of this Bond to the Paying Agent/Registrar for cancellation, all in accordance with the form and procedures set forth in the Resolution. Among other requirements for such assignment and transfer, this Bond must be presented and surrendered to the Paying Agent/Registrar, together with proper instruments of assignment, in form and with guarantee of signatures satisfactory to the Paying Agent/Registrar, evidencing assignment of this Bond or any portion or portions hereof in any integral multiple of \$5,000 to the assignee or assignees in whose name or names this Bond or any such portion or portions hereof is or are to be transferred and registered. The form of Assignment printed or endorsed on this Bond may be executed by the registered owner to evidence the assignment hereof, but such method is not exclusive, and other instruments of assignment satisfactory to the Paying Agent/Registrar may be used to evidence the assignment of this Bond or any portion or portions hereof from time to time by the registered owner. The Board shall pay the Paying Agent/Registrar's reasonable standard or customary fees and charges for transferring and exchanging any Bond or portion thereof; provided, however, that any taxes or governmental charges required to be paid with respect thereto shall be paid by the one requesting such transfer and exchange. In any circumstance, neither the Board nor the Paying Agent/Registrar shall be required (i) to make any transfer or exchange during a period beginning at the opening of business 15 calendar days before the day of the first mailing of a notice of redemption of Bonds and ending at the close of business on the day of such mailing or (ii) to transfer or exchange any Bonds so selected for redemption when such redemption is scheduled to occur within 30 calendar days; provided, however, that such limitation shall not be applicable to an exchange by the registered owner of the uncalled principal balance of a Bond.

IN THE EVENT any Paying Agent/Registrar for the Bonds is changed by the Board, resigns, or otherwise ceases to act as such, the Board has covenanted in the Resolution that it promptly will appoint a competent and legally qualified substitute therefor, and promptly will cause written notice thereof to be mailed to the registered owners of the Bonds.

BY BECOMING the registered owner of this Bond, the registered owner hereby acknowledges all of the terms and provisions of the Resolution, agrees to be bound by such terms and provisions, acknowledges that the Resolution is duly recorded and available for inspection in the official minutes and records of the Board, and agrees that the terms and provisions of this Bond and the Resolution constitute a contract between each registered owner hereof and the Board.

THE BONDS ARE ON A PARITY with Outstanding Parity Bonds, and the Board has reserved the right, subject to the restrictions stated in the Resolution, to issue additional obligations which also may be made payable from, and secured by a lien on and pledge of, the Available University Fund Share (as defined in the Resolution) on a parity with the Bonds, and the Board may issue other obligations payable from the Available University Fund Share junior and subordinate to the Bonds.

THE REGISTERED OWNER HEREOF shall never have the right to demand payment of this obligation out of any funds raised or to be raised by taxation, or from any source whatsoever other than specified in the Resolution. IT IS HEREBY certified and covenanted that this Bond has been duly and validly authorized, issued, and delivered; that all acts, conditions, and things required or proper to be performed, exist, and be done precedent to or in the authorization, issuance, and delivery of this Bond have been performed, existed, and been done in accordance with law; and that the principal of and interest on this Bond are equally and ratably secured by and payable from a first lien on and pledge of the Available University Fund Share, all in accordance with the Constitutional Provision and other Applicable Law, on a parity with the lien and pledge securing the Outstanding Parity Bonds.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF this Bond has been signed with the manual or facsimile signature of the [Chairman] [Vice Chairman] of the Board and countersigned with the manual or facsimile signature of the Executive Director, Board of Regents, and the official seal of the Board has been duly impressed, or placed in facsimile, on this Bond.

(BOARD SEAL)

\* \* \*

\* Marked provisions shall be conformed to the applicable terms identified in the Award Certificate

## [INSERTIONS FOR THE INITIAL BONDS]

The Initial Current Interest Bond shall be in the form set forth in this exhibit, except that:

- A. Immediately under the name of the Bond, the headings "INTEREST RATE" and "MATURITY DATE" shall both be completed with the words "As shown below", and the heading "CUSIP NO." shall be deleted.
- B. The first paragraph of the Bond shall be deleted and the following will be inserted (with all blanks and bracketed items to be completed with information contained in the Award Certificate):

"THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY (the "Board"), being an agency of the State of Texas, hereby promises to pay to the registered owner specified above or the registered assignee hereof (either being hereinafter called the "Registered Owner") in each of the years in the principal amounts and bearing interest at the per annum rates set forth in the following schedule:

| YEARS OF        | PRINCIPAL      | INTEREST |
|-----------------|----------------|----------|
| STATED MATURITY | <u>AMOUNTS</u> | RATES    |

## [Information from Award Certificate to be inserted]

THE BOARD promises to pay interest on the unpaid principal amount hereof from the Issuance Date specified above, to the date of its scheduled maturity or the date of its redemption prior to scheduled maturity, at the Interest Rate per annum, specified above, with said interest being payable on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_, and semiannually on each \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_ thereafter, except that if the date of authentication of this Bond is later than the first Record Date (hereinafter defined), such principal amount shall bear interest from the interest payment date next preceding the date of authentication, unless such date of authentication is after any Record Date but on or before the next following interest payment date."

C. The Initial Bond shall be numbered "T-l".

The Initial Capital Appreciation Bond shall be in the form set forth in this exhibit, except

- A. Immediately under the name of the Bond, the headings "INTEREST RATE" and "MATURITY DATE" shall both be completed with the words "As shown below", and the heading "CUSIP NO." shall be deleted.
- B. The first paragraph of the Bond shall be deleted and the following will be inserted (with all blanks and bracketed items to be completed with information contained in the Award Certificate):

"THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY (the "Board"), being an agency of the State of Texas, hereby promises to pay to the registered owner specified

above or the registered assignee hereof (either being hereinafter called the "Registered Owner") in each of the years in the principal amounts and bearing interest at the per annum rates set forth in the following schedule:

| YEARS OF        | PRINCIPAL      | INTEREST |
|-----------------|----------------|----------|
| STATED MATURITY | <u>AMOUNTS</u> | RATES    |

## [Information from Award Certificate to be inserted]

INTEREST shall accrete on the original principal amount hereof from the Issuance Date at the interest rate per annum specified above (subject to rounding to the Compounded Amounts as provided in the Bond Resolution), compounded semi-annually on \_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of each year, commencing \_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_. For convenience of reference, a table appears on the back of this Bond showing the "Compounded Amount" of the original principal amount per \$5,000 Maturity Amount compounded semiannually at the yield shown on such table."

C. The Initial Capital Appreciation Bond shall be numbered "CT-l".

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## TABLE OF ACCRETED VALUES [FOR CAPITAL APPRECIATION BONDS]

The Accreted Value, initial offering price (all per \$5,000 of Maturity Amount), together with the yield to maturity are as follows. Accreted Values are calculated based on the initial offering price and yield to maturity and, except at maturity, do not equal principal amount plus accrued interest.

## [FORM OF PAYING AGENT/REGISTRAR'S AUTHENTICATION CERTIFICATE]

## PAYING AGENT/REGISTRAR'S AUTHENTICATION CERTIFICATE

IT IS HEREBY certified that this Bond has been issued under the provisions of the Resolution described in this Bond and that this Bond has been issued in conversion of and exchange for or replacement of a bond, bonds, or a portion of a bond or bonds of an issue which originally was approved by the Attorney General of the State of Texas and registered by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas.

as Paying Agent/Registrar

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

By:\_\_\_\_

Authorized Representative

## [FORM OF REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE OF THE COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS]

## COMPTROLLER'S REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE

**REGISTER NO.** 

I hereby certify that this Bond has been examined, certified as to validity, and approved by the Attorney General of the State of Texas, and that this Bond has been registered by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas.

Witness my signature and seal this

(COMPTROLLER'S SEAL)

Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas

## [FORM OF ASSIGNMENT]

## ASSIGNMENT

For value received, the undersigned hereby sells, assigns and transfers unto \_\_\_\_\_

Please insert Social Security or Taxpayer Identification Number of Transferee

(Please print or typewrite name and address, including zip code, of Transferee.)

the within Certificate and all rights thereunder, and hereby irrevocably constitutes and appoints \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, attorney, to register the transfer of the within Certificate on the books kept for registration thereof, with full power of substitution in the premises.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature Guaranteed:

NOTICE: Signature(s) must be guaranteed by an eligible guarantor institution participating in a securities transfer association recognized signature guarantee program. NOTICE: The signature above must correspond with the name of the registered owner as it appears upon the front of this Certificate in every particular, without alteration or enlargement or any change whatsoever.

Note: In addition, provisions of the Bond relating to redemption may be changed, completed, or deleted as determined by the Authorized Representative to conform to the terms set forth in the Award Certificate.

## MO 153-2024 (Item 1.3) EXHBIT

#### **TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY**

#### CURRENT PLAN

#### PROPOSED PLAN WITH STUDENT SERVICES FEE COLLAPSE INTO UNIV. SERVICES FEE

|       | TEXAS RESIDENT - UNDERGRADUATE 2024-25<br>VARIABLE ONE-YEAR RATE - LONG SESSION |            |          |          |          |         |        |          |          |       |           | TEXAS R    | ESIDENT   | UNDERG    | RADUA  | TE 2024-: | 25     |          |          |              |
|-------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|----------|----------|----------|---------|--------|----------|----------|-------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|--------|-----------|--------|----------|----------|--------------|
|       |                                                                                 | VARIA      | BLE ONE- | YEAR RA  | re - Lon | G SESSI | ON     |          |          |       |           | VARIAE     | BLE ONE-Y | 'EAR RATE | - LONG | SESSIO    | N      |          |          |              |
|       |                                                                                 |            | UNIV.    | STUDENT  |          | STUDENT | REC    |          |          |       |           |            | UNIV.     | STUDENT   |        | STUDENT   | REC    |          |          |              |
|       | STATUTORY                                                                       | DESIGNATED | SERVICES | SERVICES | HEALTH   | CENTER  | SPORTS | ATHLETIC |          |       | STATUTORY | DESIGNATED | SERVICES  | SERVICES  | HEALTH | CENTER    | SPORTS | ATHLETIC |          | Verification |
| HOURS | TUITION                                                                         | TUITION    | FEE      | FEE      | FEE      | FEE     | FEE    | FEE      | TOTAL    | HOURS | TUITION   | TUITION    | FEE       | FEE       | FEE    | FEE       | FEE    | FEE      | TOTAL    | Formula      |
| 1     | 50.00                                                                           | 109.10     | 241.14   | 28.20    | 75.00    | 9.00    | 82.00  | 23.05    | 617.49   | 1     | 50.00     | 109.10     | 269.34    |           | 75.00  | 9.00      | 82.00  | 23.05    | 617.49   | 0.00         |
| 2     | 100.00                                                                          | 218.20     | 335.39   | 56.40    | 75.00    | 18.00   | 82.00  | 46.10    | 931.09   | 2     | 100.00    | 218.20     | 391.79    |           | 75.00  | 18.00     | 82.00  | 46.10    | 931.09   | 0.00         |
| 3     | 150.00                                                                          | 327.30     | 429.63   | 84.60    | 75.00    | 27.00   | 82.00  | 69.15    | 1,244.68 | 3     | 150.00    | 327.30     | 514.23    |           | 75.00  | 27.00     | 82.00  | 69.15    | 1,244.68 | 0.00         |
| 4     | 200.00                                                                          | 436.40     | 523.87   | 112.80   | 75.00    | 36.00   | 82.00  | 92.20    | 1,558.27 | 4     | 200.00    | 436.40     | 636.67    |           | 75.00  | 36.00     | 82.00  | 92.20    | 1,558.27 | 0.00         |
| 5     | 250.00                                                                          | 545.50     | 618.13   | 141.00   | 75.00    | 45.00   | 82.00  | 115.25   | 1,871.88 | 5     | 250.00    | 545.50     | 759.13    |           | 75.00  | 45.00     | 82.00  | 115.25   | 1,871.88 | 0.00         |
| 6     | 300.00                                                                          | 654.60     | 712.37   | 169.20   | 75.00    | 54.00   | 82.00  | 138.30   | 2,185.47 | 6     | 300.00    | 654.60     | 881.57    |           | 75.00  | 54.00     | 82.00  | 138.30   | 2,185.47 | 0.00         |
| 7     | 350.00                                                                          | 763.70     | 806.62   | 197.40   | 75.00    | 63.00   | 82.00  | 161.35   | 2,499.07 | 7     | 350.00    | 763.70     | 1,004.02  |           | 75.00  | 63.00     | 82.00  | 161.35   | 2,499.07 | 0.00         |
| 8     | 400.00                                                                          | 872.80     | 900.86   | 225.60   | 75.00    | 72.00   | 82.00  | 184.40   | 2,812.66 | 8     | 400.00    | 872.80     | 1,126.46  |           | 75.00  | 72.00     | 82.00  | 184.40   | 2,812.66 | 0.00         |
| 9     | 450.00                                                                          | 981.90     | 994.16   | 250.00   | 75.00    | 81.00   | 82.00  | 207.45   | 3,121.51 | 9     | 450.00    | 981.90     | 1,244.16  |           | 75.00  | 81.00     | 82.00  | 207.45   | 3,121.51 | 0.00         |
| 10    | 500.00                                                                          | 1,091.00   | 1,081.46 | 250.00   | 75.00    | 90.00   | 82.00  | 230.50   | 3,399.96 | 10    | 500.00    | 1,091.00   | 1,331.46  |           | 75.00  | 90.00     | 82.00  | 230.50   | 3,399.96 | 0.00         |
| 11    | 550.00                                                                          | 1,200.10   | 1,168.78 | 250.00   | 75.00    | 99.00   | 82.00  | 253.55   | 3,678.43 | 11    | 550.00    | 1,200.10   | 1,418.78  |           | 75.00  | 99.00     | 82.00  | 253.55   | 3,678.43 | 0.00         |
| 12    | 600.00                                                                          | 1,309.20   | 1,254.12 | 250.00   | 75.00    | 100.00  | 82.00  | 276.60   | 3,946.92 | 12    | 600.00    | 1,309.20   | 1,504.12  |           | 75.00  | 100.00    | 82.00  | 276.60   | 3,946.92 | 0.00         |
| 13    | 650.00                                                                          | 1,418.30   | 1,339.21 | 250.00   | 75.00    | 100.00  | 82.00  | 299.65   | 4,214.16 | 13    | 650.00    | 1,418.30   | 1,589.21  |           | 75.00  | 100.00    | 82.00  | 299.65   | 4,214.16 | 0.00         |
| 14    | 700.00                                                                          | 1,527.40   | 1,424.29 | 250.00   | 75.00    | 100.00  | 82.00  | 322.70   | 4,481.39 | 14    | 700.00    | 1,527.40   | 1,674.29  |           | 75.00  | 100.00    | 82.00  | 322.70   | 4,481.39 | 0.00         |
| 15    | 750.00                                                                          | 1,636.50   | 1,509.40 | 250.00   | 75.00    | 100.00  | 82.00  | 345.75   | 4,748.65 | 15    | 750.00    | 1,636.50   | 1,759.40  |           | 75.00  | 100.00    | 82.00  | 345.75   | 4,748.65 | 0.00         |
| 16    | 800.00                                                                          | 1,745.60   | 1,589.29 | 250.00   | 75.00    | 100.00  | 82.00  | 345.75   | 4,987.64 | 16    | 800.00    | 1,745.60   | 1,839.29  |           | 75.00  | 100.00    | 82.00  | 345.75   | 4,987.64 | 0.00         |
| 17    | 850.00                                                                          | 1,854.70   | 1,669.15 | 250.00   | 75.00    | 100.00  | 82.00  | 345.75   | 5,226.60 | 17    | 850.00    | 1,854.70   | 1,919.15  |           | 75.00  | 100.00    | 82.00  | 345.75   | 5,226.60 | 0.00         |
| 18    | 900.00                                                                          | 1,963.80   | 1,749.02 | 250.00   | 75.00    | 100.00  | 82.00  | 345.75   | 5,465.57 | 18    | 900.00    | 1,963.80   | 1,999.02  |           | 75.00  | 100.00    | 82.00  | 345.75   | 5,465.57 | 0.00         |
| 19    | 950.00                                                                          | 2,072.90   | 1,828.89 | 250.00   | 75.00    | 100.00  | 82.00  | 345.75   | 5,704.54 | 19    | 950.00    | 2,072.90   | 2,078.89  |           | 75.00  | 100.00    | 82.00  | 345.75   | 5,704.54 | 0.00         |
| 20    | 1,000.00                                                                        | 2,182.00   | 1,908.77 | 250.00   | 75.00    | 100.00  | 82.00  | 345.75   | 5,943.52 | 20    | 1,000.00  | 2,182.00   | 2,158.77  |           | 75.00  | 100.00    | 82.00  | 345.75   | 5,943.52 | 0.00         |
| 21    | 1,050.00                                                                        | 2,291.10   | 1,988.64 | 250.00   | 75.00    | 100.00  | 82.00  | 345.75   | 6,182.49 | 21    | 1,050.00  | 2,291.10   | 2,238.64  |           | 75.00  | 100.00    | 82.00  | 345.75   | 6,182.49 | 0.00         |
| 22    | 1,100.00                                                                        | 2,400.20   | 2,068.52 | 250.00   | 75.00    | 100.00  | 82.00  | 345.75   | 6,421.47 | 22    | 1,100.00  | 2,400.20   | 2,318.52  |           | 75.00  | 100.00    | 82.00  | 345.75   | 6,421.47 | 0.00         |

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|-----------------|-----------|-------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|---------|----------------|------------------|----------------------|----------|-----------|------------|------------------|-----------|----------------|----------|----------------|------------------|----------------------|--------------|
|                 |           |             | FIXED R          | ATE - LON        | G SESS         | ION     |                |                  |                      |          |           |            | FIXED RA         | TE - LONG | SESSIC         | <b>N</b> |                |                  |                      |              |
|                 |           |             | UNIV.            | STUDENT          |                | STUDENT | REC            |                  |                      |          |           |            | UNIV.            | STUDENT   |                | STUDENT  | REC            |                  | -                    |              |
|                 | STATUTORY | DESIGNATED  | SERVICES         | SERVICES         | HEALTH         | CENTER  | SPORTS         | ATHLETIC         |                      |          | STATUTORY | DESIGNATED |                  | SERVICES  | HEALTH         | CENTER   |                | ATHLETIC         |                      | Verification |
| HOURS           | TUITION   | TUITION     | FEE              | FEE              | FEE            | FEE     | FEE            | FEE              | TOTAL                | HOURS    | TUITION   | TUITION    | FEE              | FEE       | FEE            | FEE      | FEE            | FEE              | TOTAL                | Formula      |
| 1               | 50.00     | 177.00      | 202.90           | 28.20            | 75.00          | 9.00    | 82.00          | 23.05            | 647.15               | 1        | 50.00     | 177.00     | 231.10           |           | 75.00          | 9.00     | 82.00          | 23.05            | 647.15               | 0.00         |
| 2               | 100.00    | 354.00      | 244.93           | 56.40            | 75.00          | 18.00   | 82.00          | 46.10            | 976.43               | 2        | 100.00    | 354.00     | 301.33           |           | 75.00          | 18.00    | 82.00          | 46.10            | 976.43               | 0.00         |
| 3               | 150.00    | 531.00      | 286.95           | 84.60            | 75.00          | 27.00   | 82.00          | 69.15            | 1,305.70             | 3        | 150.00    | 531.00     | 371.55           |           | 75.00          | 27.00    | 82.00          | 69.15            | 1,305.70             | 0.00         |
| 4               | 200.00    | 708.00      | 328.97           | 112.80           | 75.00          | 36.00   | 82.00          | 92.20            | 1,634.97             | 4        | 200.00    | 708.00     | 441.77           |           | 75.00          | 36.00    | 82.00          | 92.20            | 1,634.97             | 0.00         |
| 5               | 250.00    | 885.00      | 371.01           | 141.00           | 75.00          | 45.00   | 82.00          | 115.25           | 1,964.26             | 5        | 250.00    | 885.00     | 512.01           |           | 75.00          | 45.00    | 82.00          | 115.25           | 1,964.26             | 0.00         |
| 6               | 300.00    | 1,062.00    | 413.03           | 169.20           | 75.00          | 54.00   | 82.00          | 138.30           | 2,293.53             | 6        | 300.00    | 1,062.00   | 582.23           |           | 75.00          | 54.00    | 82.00          | 138.30           | 2,293.53             | 0.00         |
| 7               | 350.00    | 1,239.00    | 455.06           | 197.40           | 75.00          | 63.00   | 82.00          | 161.35           | 2,622.81             | 7        | 350.00    | 1,239.00   | 652.46           |           | 75.00          | 63.00    | 82.00          | 161.35           | 2,622.81             | 0.00         |
| 8               | 400.00    | 1,416.00    | 497.08           | 225.60           | 75.00          | 72.00   | 82.00          | 184.40           | 2,952.08             | 8        | 400.00    | 1,416.00   | 722.68           |           | 75.00          | 72.00    | 82.00          | 184.40           | 2,952.08             | 0.00         |
| 9               | 450.00    | 1,593.00    | 537.92           | 250.00           | 75.00          | 81.00   | 82.00          | 207.45           | 3,276.37             | 9        | 450.00    | 1,593.00   | 787.92           |           | 75.00          | 81.00    | 82.00          | 207.45           | 3,276.37             | 0.00         |
| 10              | 500.00    | 1,770.00    | 571.24           | 250.00           | 75.00          | 90.00   | 82.00          | 230.50           | 3,568.74             | 10       | 500.00    | 1,770.00   | 821.24           |           | 75.00          | 90.00    | 82.00          | 230.50           | 3,568.74             | 0.00         |
| 11              | 550.00    | 1,947.00    | 604.58           | 250.00           | 75.00          | 99.00   | 82.00          | 253.55           | 3,861.13             | 11       | 550.00    | 1,947.00   | 854.58           |           | 75.00          | 99.00    | 82.00          | 253.55           | 3,861.13             | 0.00         |
| 12              | 600.00    | 2,124.00    | 635.45           | 250.00           | 75.00          | 100.00  | 82.00          | 276.60           | 4,143.05             | 12       | 600.00    | 2,124.00   | 885.45           |           | 75.00          | 100.00   | 82.00          | 276.60           | 4,143.05             | 0.00         |
| 13              | 650.00    | 2,301.00    | 666.00           | 250.00           | 75.00          | 100.00  | 82.00          | 299.65           | 4,423.65             | 13       | 650.00    | 2,301.00   | 916.00           |           | 75.00          | 100.00   | 82.00          | 299.65           | 4,423.65             | 0.00         |
| 14              | 700.00    | 2,478.00    | 696.54<br>727.12 | 250.00           | 75.00          | 100.00  | 82.00<br>82.00 | 322.70<br>345.75 | 4,704.24             | 14       | 700.00    | 2,478.00   | 946.54<br>977.12 |           | 75.00          | 100.00   | 82.00          | 322.70<br>345.75 | 4,704.24             | 0.00         |
| <u>15</u><br>16 | 750.00    | 2,655.00    | 751.05           | 250.00<br>250.00 | 75.00<br>75.00 | 100.00  | 82.00          | 345.75           | 4,984.87<br>5.235.80 | 15       | 750.00    | 2,655.00   | 1,001.05         |           | 75.00<br>75.00 | 100.00   | 82.00<br>82.00 | 345.75           | 4,984.87<br>5.235.80 | 0.00         |
| 10              | 850.00    | 2,832.00    | 751.05           | 250.00           | 75.00          | 100.00  | 82.00          | 345.75           | 5,235.80<br>5.486.71 | 16<br>17 | 850.00    | 2,832.00   | 1,001.05         |           | 75.00          | 100.00   | 82.00          | 345.75           | 5,235.80<br>5,486.71 | 0.00         |
| 17              | 900.00    | 3,009.00    | 798.88           | 250.00           | 75.00          | 100.00  | 82.00          | 345.75           | 5,488.71             | 17       | 900.00    | 3,009.00   | 1,024.90         |           | 75.00          | 100.00   | 82.00          | 345.75           | 5,488.71             | 0.00         |
| 10              | 950.00    | 3,180.00    | 822.80           | 250.00           | 75.00          | 100.00  | 82.00          | 345.75           | 5,988.55             | 18       | 950.00    | 3,188.00   | 1,048.88         |           | 75.00          | 100.00   | 82.00          | 345.75           | 5,988.55             | 0.00         |
| 20              | 1.000.00  | 3,540.00    | 846.73           | 250.00           | 75.00          | 100.00  | 82.00          | 345.75           | 6.239.48             | 20       | 1.000.00  | 3,540.00   | 1,096.73         |           | 75.00          | 100.00   | 82.00          | 345.75           | 6.239.48             | 0.00         |
| 20              | 1,050.00  | 3,717.00    | 870.65           | 250.00           | 75.00          | 100.00  | 82.00          | 345.75           | 6.490.40             | 20       | 1,050.00  | 3,717.00   | 1,120.65         |           | 75.00          | 100.00   | 82.00          | 345.75           | 6,490.40             | 0.00         |
| 21              | 1,100.00  | 3,894.00    | 894.58           | 250.00           | 75.00          | 100.00  | 82.00          | 345.75           | 6.741.33             | 21       | 1,100.00  | 3,894.00   | 1,144.58         |           | 75.00          | 100.00   | 82.00          | 345.75           | 6.741.33             | 0.00         |
| 22              | 1,100.00  | 0,004.00    | 004.00           | 200.00           | , 5.00         | 100.00  | 02.00          | 0.0.70           | 0,7 .1.00            | ~~~      | 1,100.00  | 3,004.00   | 1,144.00         |           | , 5.00         | 100.00   | 02.00          | 0.0.70           | 0,7 71.00            | 0.00         |

NOTE: UGRAD RESIDENT TUITION \$50.00/SCH.

STUDENT SERVICE FEE \$28.20/SCH, \$250.00 MAXIMUM.

STUDENT HEALTH FEE \$75.00/SEMESTER; \$25.00/SUMMER TERM.

STUDENT CENTER FEE \$9.00/SCH. \$100.00 MAXIMUM LONG SESSION; \$50 MAXIMUM/SUMMER TERM.

RECREATIONAL SPORTS FEE \$82.00/SEM & SSIII; \$41.00/SUMMER TERM.

ATHLETIC SPORTS FEE \$23.05/SCH. \$345.75 MAXIMUM.

NOTE: UGRAD RESIDENT TUITION \$50.00/SCH.

STUDENT HEALTH FEE \$75.00/SEMESTER; \$25.00/SUMMER TERM.

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RECREATIONAL SPORTS FEE \$82.00/SEM & SSIII; \$41.00/SUMMER TERM.

ATHLETIC SPORTS FEE \$23.05/SCH. \$345.75 MAXIMUM.

#### **TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - KINGSVILLE**

CURRENT PLAN

#### PROPOSED PLAN WITH STUDENT SERVICES FEE COLLAPSE INTO UNIV. SERVICES FEE

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|-------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|--------|----------|----------|---|-------|-----------|------------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|-----|
|       |           | VA         | RIABLE OF | NE-YEAR R | ATE - LO | NG SESSI  | ON     |          |          |   |       |           | VAR        | ABLE ONE | -YEAR RA  | TE - LON | G SESSIO | Ν   |
|       |           |            | UNIV.     | STUDENT   |          | STUDENT   | REC    |          |          | - |       |           |            | UNIV.    | STUDENT   |          | STUDENT  | R   |
|       | STATUTORY | DESIGNATED | SERVICES  | SERVICES  | HEALTH   | CENTER    | SPORTS | ATHLETIC |          |   |       | STATUTORY | DESIGNATED | SERVICES | SERVICES  | HEALTH   | CENTER   | SPO |
| HOURS | TUITION   | TUITION    | FEE       | FEE       | FEE      | FEE       | FEE    | FEE      | TOTAL    | _ | HOURS | TUITION   | TUITION    | FEE      | FEE       | FEE      | FEE      | F   |
| 1     | 50.00     | 113.07     | 295.56    | 16.94     | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00 | 20.00    | 782.57   |   | 1     | 50.00     | 113.07     | 312.50   |           | 57.00    | 80.00    | 15  |
| 2     | 100.00    | 226.14     | 379.31    | 33.88     | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00 | 40.00    | 1,066.33 |   | 2     | 100.00    | 226.14     | 413.19   |           | 57.00    | 80.00    | 15  |
| 3     | 150.00    | 339.21     | 470.45    | 50.82     | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00 | 60.00    | 1,357.48 |   | 3     | 150.00    | 339.21     | 521.27   |           | 57.00    | 80.00    | 15  |
| 4     | 200.00    | 452.28     | 566.51    | 67.76     | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00 | 80.00    | 1,653.55 |   | 4     | 200.00    | 452.28     | 634.27   |           | 57.00    | 80.00    | 15  |
| 5     | 250.00    | 565.35     | 662.56    | 84.70     | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00 | 100.00   | 1,949.61 | _ | 5     | 250.00    | 565.35     | 747.26   |           | 57.00    | 80.00    | 15  |
| 6     | 300.00    | 678.42     | 758.63    | 101.64    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00 | 120.00   | 2,245.69 |   | 6     | 300.00    | 678.42     | 860.27   |           | 57.00    | 80.00    | 15  |
| 7     | 350.00    | 791.49     | 854.69    | 118.58    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00 | 140.00   | 2,541.76 |   | 7     | 350.00    | 791.49     | 973.27   |           | 57.00    | 80.00    | 15  |
| 8     | 400.00    | 904.56     | 950.74    | 135.52    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00 | 160.00   | 2,837.82 |   | 8     | 400.00    | 904.56     | 1,086.26 |           | 57.00    | 80.00    | 15  |
| 9     | 450.00    | 1,017.63   | 1,046.80  | 152.46    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00 | 180.00   | 3,133.89 |   | 9     | 450.00    | 1,017.63   | 1,199.26 |           | 57.00    | 80.00    | 15  |
| 10    | 500.00    | 1,130.70   | 1,142.86  | 169.40    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00 | 200.00   | 3,429.96 | _ | 10    | 500.00    | 1,130.70   | 1,312.26 |           | 57.00    | 80.00    | 15  |
| 11    | 550.00    | 1,243.77   | 1,238.92  | 186.34    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00 | 220.00   | 3,726.03 |   | 11    | 550.00    | 1,243.77   | 1,425.26 |           | 57.00    | 80.00    | 15  |
| 12    | 600.00    | 1,582.98   | 1,399.95  | 203.28    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00 | 240.00   | 4,313.21 |   | 12    | 600.00    | 1,582.98   | 1,603.23 |           | 57.00    | 80.00    | 15  |
| 13    | 650.00    | 1,582.98   | 1,462.93  | 220.22    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00 | 260.00   | 4,463.13 |   | 13    | 650.00    | 1,582.98   | 1,683.15 |           | 57.00    | 80.00    | 15  |
| 14    | 700.00    | 1,582.98   | 1,522.17  | 237.16    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00 | 260.00   | 4,589.31 |   | 14    | 700.00    | 1,582.98   | 1,759.33 |           | 57.00    | 80.00    | 15  |
| 15    | 750.00    | 1,582.98   | 1,580.67  | 250.00    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00 | 260.00   | 4,710.65 | _ | 15    | 750.00    | 1,582.98   | 1,830.67 |           | 57.00    | 80.00    | 15  |
| 16    | 800.00    | 1,582.98   | 1,636.87  | 250.00    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00 | 260.00   | 4,816.85 |   | 16    | 800.00    | 1,582.98   | 1,886.87 |           | 57.00    | 80.00    | 15  |
| 17    | 850.00    | 1,582.98   | 1,693.07  | 250.00    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00 | 260.00   | 4,923.05 |   | 17    | 850.00    | 1,582.98   | 1,943.07 |           | 57.00    | 80.00    | 15  |
| 18    | 900.00    | 1,582.98   | 1,749.27  | 250.00    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00 | 260.00   | 5,029.25 |   | 18    | 900.00    | 1,582.98   | 1,999.27 |           | 57.00    | 80.00    | 15  |
| 19    | 950.00    | 1,582.98   | 1,805.47  | 250.00    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00 | 260.00   | 5,135.45 |   | 19    | 950.00    | 1,582.98   | 2,055.47 |           | 57.00    | 80.00    | 15  |
| 20    | 1,000.00  | 1,582.98   | 1,861.66  | 250.00    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00 | 260.00   | 5,241.64 | - | 20    | 1,000.00  | 1,582.98   | 2,111.66 |           | 57.00    | 80.00    | 15  |
| 21    | 1,050.00  | 1,582.98   | 1,914.78  | 250.00    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00 | 260.00   | 5,344.76 |   | 21    | 1,050.00  | 1,582.98   | 2,164.78 |           | 57.00    | 80.00    | 15  |

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|-----|-----------|------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|--------|----------|----------|--------------|
|     |           |            | UNIV.    | STUDENT  |          | STUDENT  | REC    |          |          |              |
|     | STATUTORY | DESIGNATED | SERVICES | SERVICES | HEALTH   | CENTER   | SPORTS | ATHLETIC |          | Verification |
| JRS | TUITION   | TUITION    | FEE      | FEE      | FEE      | FEE      | FEE    | FEE      | TOTAL    | Formula      |
| 1   | 50.00     | 113.07     | 312.50   |          | 57.00    | 80.00    | 150.00 | 20.00    | 782.57   | 0.00         |
| 2   | 100.00    | 226.14     | 413.19   |          | 57.00    | 80.00    | 150.00 | 40.00    | 1,066.33 | 0.00         |
| 3   | 150.00    | 339.21     | 521.27   |          | 57.00    | 80.00    | 150.00 | 60.00    | 1,357.48 | 0.00         |
| 4   | 200.00    | 452.28     | 634.27   |          | 57.00    | 80.00    | 150.00 | 80.00    | 1,653.55 | 0.00         |
| 5   | 250.00    | 565.35     | 747.26   |          | 57.00    | 80.00    | 150.00 | 100.00   | 1,949.61 | 0.00         |
| 6   | 300.00    | 678.42     | 860.27   |          | 57.00    | 80.00    | 150.00 | 120.00   | 2,245.69 | 0.00         |
| 7   | 350.00    | 791.49     | 973.27   |          | 57.00    | 80.00    | 150.00 | 140.00   | 2,541.76 | 0.00         |
| 8   | 400.00    | 904.56     | 1,086.26 |          | 57.00    | 80.00    | 150.00 | 160.00   | 2,837.82 | 0.00         |
| 9   | 450.00    | 1,017.63   | 1,199.26 |          | 57.00    | 80.00    | 150.00 | 180.00   | 3,133.89 | 0.00         |
| 10  | 500.00    | 1,130.70   | 1,312.26 |          | 57.00    | 80.00    | 150.00 | 200.00   | 3,429.96 | 0.00         |
| 11  | 550.00    | 1,243.77   | 1,425.26 |          | 57.00    | 80.00    | 150.00 | 220.00   | 3,726.03 | 0.00         |
| 12  | 600.00    | 1,582.98   | 1,603.23 |          | 57.00    | 80.00    | 150.00 | 240.00   | 4,313.21 | 0.00         |
| 13  | 650.00    | 1,582.98   | 1,683.15 |          | 57.00    | 80.00    | 150.00 | 260.00   | 4,463.13 | 0.00         |
| 14  | 700.00    | 1,582.98   | 1,759.33 |          | 57.00    | 80.00    | 150.00 | 260.00   | 4,589.31 | 0.00         |
| 15  | 750.00    | 1,582.98   | 1,830.67 |          | 57.00    | 80.00    | 150.00 | 260.00   | 4,710.65 | 0.00         |
| 16  | 800.00    | 1,582.98   | 1,886.87 |          | 57.00    | 80.00    | 150.00 | 260.00   | 4,816.85 | 0.00         |
| 17  | 850.00    | 1,582.98   | 1,943.07 |          | 57.00    | 80.00    | 150.00 | 260.00   | 4,923.05 | 0.00         |
| 18  | 900.00    | 1,582.98   | 1,999.27 |          | 57.00    | 80.00    | 150.00 | 260.00   | 5,029.25 | 0.00         |
| 19  | 950.00    | 1,582.98   | 2,055.47 |          | 57.00    | 80.00    | 150.00 | 260.00   | 5,135.45 | 0.00         |
| 20  | 1,000.00  | 1,582.98   | 2,111.66 |          | 57.00    | 80.00    | 150.00 | 260.00   | 5,241.64 | 0.00         |
| 21  | 1,050.00  | 1,582.98   | 2,164.78 |          | 57.00    | 80.00    | 150.00 | 260.00   | 5,344.76 | 0.00         |

|       |           | TEXAS RE   | SIDENT - I | UNDERGR   | ADUATE   | - 2024-25 | Cohort* |          |          |       |           | TEXAS RES  | IDENT - UI | NDERGRA  | DUATE - 2 | 2024-25 0 | Cohort* |          |          |              |
|-------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|----------|-----------|---------|----------|----------|-------|-----------|------------|------------|----------|-----------|-----------|---------|----------|----------|--------------|
|       |           | FD         | ED TUITIO  | ON AND FE | ES - LON | IG SESSIO | DN .    |          |          |       |           | FIXE       | D TUITION  | AND FEE  | S - LONG  | SESSION   | 1       |          |          |              |
|       |           |            | UNIV.      | STUDENT   |          | STUDENT   | REC     |          |          |       |           |            | UNIV.      | STUDENT  |           | STUDENT   | REC     |          |          |              |
|       | STATUTORY | DESIGNATED | SERVICES   | SERVICES  | HEALTH   | CENTER    | SPORTS  | ATHLETIC |          |       | STATUTORY | DESIGNATED | SERVICES   | SERVICES | HEALTH    | CENTER    | SPORTS  | ATHLETIC |          | Verification |
| HOURS | TUITION   | TUITION    | FEE        | FEE       | FEE      | FEE       | FEE     | FEE      | TOTAL    | HOURS | TUITION   | TUITION    | FEE        | FEE      | FEE       | FEE       | FEE     | FEE      | TOTAL    | Formula      |
| 1     | 50.00     | 129.89     | 295.56     | 16.94     | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00  | 20.00    | 799.39   | 1     | 50.00     | 129.89     | 312.50     |          | 57.00     | 80.00     | 150.00  | 20.00    | 799.39   | 0.00         |
| 2     | 100.00    | 259.78     | 379.31     | 33.88     | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00  | 40.00    | 1,099.97 | 2     | 100.00    | 259.78     | 413.19     |          | 57.00     | 80.00     | 150.00  | 40.00    | 1,099.97 | 0.00         |
| 3     | 150.00    | 389.67     | 470.45     | 50.82     | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00  | 60.00    | 1,407.94 | 3     | 150.00    | 389.67     | 521.27     |          | 57.00     | 80.00     | 150.00  | 60.00    | 1,407.94 | 0.00         |
| 4     | 200.00    | 519.56     | 566.51     | 67.76     | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00  | 80.00    | 1,720.83 | 4     | 200.00    | 519.56     | 634.27     |          | 57.00     | 80.00     | 150.00  | 80.00    | 1,720.83 | 0.00         |
| 5     | 250.00    | 649.45     | 662.51     | 84.70     | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00  | 100.00   | 2,033.66 | 5     | 250.00    | 649.45     | 747.21     |          | 57.00     | 80.00     | 150.00  | 100.00   | 2,033.66 | 0.00         |
| 6     | 300.00    | 779.34     | 758.63     | 101.64    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00  | 120.00   | 2,346.61 | 6     | 300.00    | 779.34     | 860.27     |          | 57.00     | 80.00     | 150.00  | 120.00   | 2,346.61 | 0.00         |
| 7     | 350.00    | 909.23     | 854.69     | 118.58    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00  | 140.00   | 2,659.50 | 7     | 350.00    | 909.23     | 973.27     |          | 57.00     | 80.00     | 150.00  | 140.00   | 2,659.50 | 0.00         |
| 8     | 400.00    | 1,039.12   | 950.74     | 135.52    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00  | 160.00   | 2,972.38 | 8     | 400.00    | 1,039.12   | 1,086.26   |          | 57.00     | 80.00     | 150.00  | 160.00   | 2,972.38 | 0.00         |
| 9     | 450.00    | 1,169.01   | 1,046.80   | 152.46    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00  | 180.00   | 3,285.27 | 9     | 450.00    | 1,169.01   | 1,199.26   |          | 57.00     | 80.00     | 150.00  | 180.00   | 3,285.27 | 0.00         |
| 10    | 500.00    | 1,298.90   | 1,142.86   | 169.40    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00  | 200.00   | 3,598.16 | 10    |           | 1,298.90   | 1,312.26   |          | 57.00     | 80.00     | 150.00  | 200.00   | 3,598.16 | 0.00         |
| 11    | 550.00    | 1,428.79   | 1,238.92   | 186.34    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00  | 220.00   | 3,911.05 | 11    | 550.00    | 1,428.79   | 1,425.26   |          | 57.00     | 80.00     | 150.00  | 220.00   | 3,911.05 | 0.00         |
| 12    | 600.00    | 1,818.46   | 1,399.95   | 203.28    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00  | 240.00   | 4,548.69 | 12    | 600.00    | 1,818.46   | 1,603.23   |          | 57.00     | 80.00     | 150.00  | 240.00   | 4,548.69 | 0.00         |
| 13    | 650.00    | 1,818.46   | 1,462.93   | 220.22    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00  | 260.00   | 4,698.61 | 13    | 650.00    | 1,818.46   | 1,683.15   |          | 57.00     | 80.00     | 150.00  | 260.00   | 4,698.61 | 0.00         |
| 14    | 700.00    | 1,818.46   | 1,522.17   | 237.16    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00  | 260.00   | 4,824.79 | 14    | 700.00    | 1,818.46   | 1,759.33   |          | 57.00     | 80.00     | 150.00  | 260.00   | 4,824.79 | 0.00         |
| 15    | 750.00    | 1,818.46   | 1,580.67   | 250.00    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00  | 260.00   | 4,946.13 | 15    |           | 1,818.46   | 1,830.67   |          | 57.00     | 80.00     | 150.00  | 260.00   | 4,946.13 | 0.00         |
| 16    | 800.00    | 1,818.46   | 1,636.87   | 250.00    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00  | 260.00   | 5,052.33 | 16    | 800.00    | 1,818.46   | 1,886.87   |          | 57.00     | 80.00     | 150.00  | 260.00   | 5,052.33 | 0.00         |
| 17    | 850.00    | 1,818.46   | 1,693.07   | 250.00    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00  | 260.00   | 5,158.53 | 17    | 850.00    | 1,818.46   | 1,943.07   |          | 57.00     | 80.00     | 150.00  | 260.00   | 5,158.53 | 0.00         |
| 18    | 900.00    | 1,818.46   | 1,749.27   | 250.00    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00  | 260.00   | 5,264.73 | 18    | 900.00    | 1,818.46   | 1,999.27   |          | 57.00     | 80.00     | 150.00  | 260.00   | 5,264.73 | 0.00         |
| 19    | 950.00    | 1,818.46   | 1,805.47   | 250.00    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00  | 260.00   | 5,370.93 | 19    | 950.00    | 1,818.46   | 2,055.47   |          | 57.00     | 80.00     | 150.00  | 260.00   | 5,370.93 | 0.00         |
| 20    | 1,000.00  | 1,818.46   | 1,861.66   | 250.00    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00  | 260.00   | 5,477.12 | 20    | 1,000.00  | 1,818.46   | 2,111.66   |          | 57.00     | 80.00     | 150.00  | 260.00   | 5,477.12 | 0.00         |
| 21    | 1,050.00  | 1,818.46   | 1,914.78   | 250.00    | 57.00    | 80.00     | 150.00  | 260.00   | 5,580.24 | 21    | 1,050.00  | 1,818.46   | 2,164.78   |          | 57.00     | 80.00     | 150.00  | 260.00   | 5,580.24 | 0.00         |

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#### **TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - COMMERCE**

CURRENT PLAN

#### PROPOSED PLAN WITH STUDENT SERVICES FEE COLLAPSE INTO UNIV. SERVICES FEE

|                 |           | TEXAS F              | RESIDENT | - UNDER          | GRADU          | ATE 2024 | -25              |                  |                      |       |           | TEXAS R              | ESIDENT - | UNDERG   | RADUA          | TE 2024-: | 25               |                  |                      |              |
|-----------------|-----------|----------------------|----------|------------------|----------------|----------|------------------|------------------|----------------------|-------|-----------|----------------------|-----------|----------|----------------|-----------|------------------|------------------|----------------------|--------------|
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|                 |           |                      | UNIV.    | STUDENT          |                | STUDENT  | REC              |                  |                      |       |           |                      | UNIV.     | STUDENT  |                | STUDENT   | REC              |                  |                      |              |
|                 | STATUTORY | DESIGNATED           | SERVICES | SERVICES         | HEALTH         | CENTER   | SPORTS           | ATHLETIC         |                      |       | STATUTORY | DESIGNATED           | SERVICES  | SERVICES | HEALTH         | CENTER    | SPORTS           | ATHLETIC         |                      | Verification |
| HOURS           | TUITION   | TUITION              | FEE      | FEE              | FEE            | FEE      | FEE              | FEE              | TOTAL                | HOURS | TUITION   | TUITION              | FEE       | FEE      | FEE            | FEE       | FEE              | FEE              | TOTAL                | Formula      |
| 1               | 50.00     | 109.68               | 178.41   | 23.00            | 75.00          | 100.00   | 150.00           | 32.00            | 718.09               | 1     | 50.00     | 109.68               | 201.41    |          | 75.00          | 100.00    | 150.00           | 32.00            | 718.09               | 0.00         |
| 2               | 100.00    | 219.36               | 284.10   | 46.00            | 75.00          | 100.00   | 150.00           | 64.00            | 1,038.46             | 2     | 100.00    | 219.36               | 330.10    |          | 75.00          | 100.00    | 150.00           | 64.00            | 1,038.46             | 0.00         |
| 3               | 150.00    | 329.04               | 389.79   | 69.00            | 75.00          | 100.00   | 150.00           | 96.00            | 1,358.83             | 3     | 150.00    | 329.04               | 458.79    |          | 75.00          | 100.00    | 150.00           | 96.00            | 1,358.83             | 0.00         |
| 4               | 200.00    | 438.72               | 495.48   | 92.00            | 75.00          | 100.00   | 150.00           | 128.00           | 1,679.20             | 4     | 200.00    | 438.72               | 587.48    |          | 75.00          | 100.00    | 150.00           | 128.00           | 1,679.20             | 0.00         |
| 5               | 250.00    | 548.40               | 601.17   | 115.00           | 75.00          | 100.00   | 150.00           | 160.00           | 1,999.57             | 5     | 250.00    | 548.40               | 716.17    |          | 75.00          | 100.00    | 150.00           | 160.00           | 1,999.57             | 0.00         |
| 6               | 300.00    | 658.08               | 709.01   | 138.00           | 75.00          | 100.00   | 150.00           | 192.00           | 2,322.09             | 6     | 300.00    | 658.08               | 847.01    |          | 75.00          | 100.00    | 150.00           | 192.00           | 2,322.09             | 0.00         |
| 7               | 350.00    | 767.76               | 814.70   | 161.00           | 75.00          | 100.00   | 150.00           | 224.00           | 2,642.46             | 7     | 350.00    | 767.76               | 975.70    |          | 75.00          | 100.00    | 150.00           | 224.00           | 2,642.46             | 0.00         |
| 8               | 400.00    | 877.44               | 920.39   | 184.00           | 75.00          | 100.00   | 150.00           | 256.00           | 2,962.83             | 8     | 400.00    | 877.44               | 1,104.39  |          | 75.00          | 100.00    | 150.00           | 256.00           | 2,962.83             | 0.00         |
| 9               | 450.00    | 987.12               | 1,026.08 | 207.00           | 75.00          | 100.00   | 150.00           | 288.00           | 3,283.20             | 9     | 450.00    | 987.12               | 1,233.08  |          | 75.00          | 100.00    | 150.00           | 288.00           | 3,283.20             | 0.00         |
| 10              | 500.00    | 1,096.80             | 1,131.77 | 230.00           | 75.00          | 100.00   | 150.00           | 320.00           | 3,603.57             | 10    | 500.00    | 1,096.80             | 1,361.77  |          | 75.00          | 100.00    | 150.00           | 320.00           | 3,603.57             | 0.00         |
| 11              | 550.00    | 1,206.48             | 1,236.73 | 250.00           | 75.00          | 100.00   | 150.00           | 352.00           | 3,920.21             | 11    | 550.00    | 1,206.48             | 1,486.73  |          | 75.00          | 100.00    | 150.00           | 352.00           | 3,920.21             | 0.00         |
| 12              | 600.00    | 1,316.16             | 1,336.76 | 250.00           | 75.00          | 100.00   | 150.00           | 384.00           | 4,211.92             | 12    | 600.00    | 1,316.16             | 1,586.76  |          | 75.00          | 100.00    | 150.00           | 384.00           | 4,211.92             | 0.00         |
| 13              | 650.00    | 1,425.84             | 1,436.79 | 250.00           | 75.00          | 100.00   | 150.00           | 416.00           | 4,503.63             | 13    | 650.00    | 1,425.84             | 1,686.79  |          | 75.00          | 100.00    | 150.00           | 416.00           | 4,503.63             | 0.00         |
| 14              | 700.00    | 1,535.52             | 1,531.83 | 250.00           | 75.00          | 100.00   | 150.00           | 416.00           | 4,758.35             | 14    | 700.00    | 1,535.52             | 1,781.83  |          | 75.00          | 100.00    | 150.00           | 416.00           | 4,758.35             | 0.00         |
| <u>15</u><br>16 | 750.00    | 1,645.20<br>1.754.88 | 1,626.87 | 250.00<br>250.00 | 75.00<br>75.00 | 100.00   | 150.00<br>150.00 | 416.00<br>416.00 | 5,013.07<br>5.267.78 | 15    | 750.00    | 1,645.20<br>1.754.88 | 1,876.87  |          | 75.00<br>75.00 | 100.00    | 150.00<br>150.00 | 416.00<br>416.00 | 5,013.07<br>5.267.78 | 0.00         |
| 10              | 850.00    | 1,754.88             | 1,721.90 | 250.00           | 75.00          | 100.00   | 150.00           | 416.00           | 5,207.78             | 10    | 850.00    | 1,754.66             | 2.066.94  |          | 75.00          | 100.00    | 150.00           | 416.00           | 5,207.78             | 0.00         |
| 17              | 900.00    | 1,864.56             | 1,816.94 | 250.00           | 75.00          | 100.00   | 150.00           | 416.00           | 5,522.50<br>5.777.21 | 17    | 900.00    | 1,864.56             | 2,066.94  |          | 75.00          | 100.00    | 150.00           | 416.00           | 5,522.50<br>5.777.21 | 0.00         |
| 10              | 950.00    | 2.083.92             | 2.007.01 | 250.00           | 75.00          | 100.00   | 150.00           | 416.00           | 6.031.93             | 18    | 950.00    | 2.083.92             | 2,101.97  |          | 75.00          | 100.00    | 150.00           | 416.00           | 6.031.93             | 0.00         |
| 20              | 1.000.00  | 2,083.92             | 2,102.04 | 250.00           | 75.00          | 100.00   | 150.00           | 416.00           | 6.286.64             | 20    | 1.000.00  | 2,083.92             | 2,257.01  |          | 75.00          | 100.00    | 150.00           | 416.00           | 6,031.93             | 0.00         |
| 20              | 1,050.00  | 2,303.28             | 2,102.04 | 250.00           | 75.00          | 100.00   | 150.00           | 416.00           | 6,541.36             | 20    | 1,050.00  | 2,303.28             | 2,332.04  |          | 75.00          | 100.00    | 150.00           | 416.00           | 6,541.36             | 0.00         |
| 21              | 1,050.00  | 2,303.28             | 2,197.08 | 250.00           | 75.00          | 100.00   | 150.00           | 416.00           | 6,541.36             | 21    | 1,030.00  | 2,303.28             | 2,447.08  |          | 75.00          | 100.00    | 150.00           | 416.00           | 6,541.56             | 0.00         |
| 22              | 1,100.00  | 2,412.50             | 2,204.00 | 230.00           | /3.00          | 100.00   | 100.00           | 410.00           | 0,708.04             | 22    | 1,100.00  | 2,412.90             | 2,514.00  |          | / 3.00         | 100.00    | 130.00           | 410.00           | 0,708.04             | 0.00         |

|          | TEXAS RESIDENT - UNDERGRADUATE - 2024-25 Cohort*<br>4 YEAR FIXED RATE - LONG SESSION |                      |                      |                  |                |                  |                  |                  |                      |          | TI               | EXAS RESID           | ENT - UND            | ERGRAD    | JATE - 2       | 024-25 C         | ohort*           |                  |                      |              |
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|          |                                                                                      | 4 \                  | EAR FIXE             | D RATE - I       | LONG S         | ESSION           |                  |                  |                      |          |                  | 4 Y                  | EAR FIXED            | RATE - LO | ONG SES        | SSION            |                  |                  |                      |              |
|          |                                                                                      |                      | UNIV.                | STUDENT          |                | STUDENT          | REC              |                  |                      |          |                  |                      | UNIV.                | STUDENT   |                | STUDENT          | REC              |                  |                      |              |
|          | STATUTORY                                                                            | DESIGNATED           | SERVICES             | SERVICES         | HEALTH         | CENTER           | SPORTS           | ATHLETIC         |                      |          | STATUTORY        | DESIGNATED           | SERVICES             | SERVICES  | HEALTH         | CENTER           | SPORTS           | ATHLETIC         |                      | Verification |
| HOURS    | TUITION                                                                              | TUITION              | FEE                  | FEE              | FEE            | FEE              | FEE              | FEE              | TOTAL                | HOURS    | TUITION          | TUITION              | FEE                  | FEE       | FEE            | FEE              | FEE              | FEE              | TOTAL                | Formula      |
| 1        | 50.00                                                                                | 109.68               | 214.31               | 23.00            | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 32.00            | 753.99               | 1        | 50.00            | 109.68               | 237.31               |           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 32.00            | 753.99               | 0.00         |
| 2        | 100.00                                                                               | 219.36               | 336.02               | 46.00            | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 64.00            | 1,090.38             | 2        | 100.00           | 219.36               | 382.02               |           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 64.00            | 1,090.38             | 0.00         |
| 3        | 150.00                                                                               | 329.04               | 457.73               | 69.00            | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 96.00            | 1,426.77             | 3        | 150.00           | 329.04               | 526.73               |           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 96.00            | 1,426.77             | 0.00         |
| 4        | 200.00                                                                               | 438.72               | 579.44               | 92.00            | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 128.00           | 1,763.16             | 4        | 200.00           | 438.72               | 671.44               |           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 128.00           | 1,763.16             | 0.00         |
|          | 250.00                                                                               | 548.40               | 701.15               | 115.00           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 160.00           | 2,099.55             | 5        | 250.00           | 548.40               | 816.15               |           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 160.00           | 2,099.55             | 0.00         |
| 6        |                                                                                      | 658.08               | 825.12               | 138.00           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 192.00           | 2,438.20             | 6        | 300.00           | 658.08               | 963.12               |           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 192.00           | 2,438.20             | 0.00         |
| 7        | 350.00                                                                               | 767.76               | 946.83               | 161.00           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 224.00           | 2,774.59             | 7        | 350.00           | 767.76               | 1,107.83             |           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 224.00           | 2,774.59             | 0.00         |
| 8        | 400.00                                                                               | 877.44               | 1,068.53             | 184.00           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 256.00           | 3,110.97             | 8        | 400.00           | 877.44               | 1,252.53             |           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 256.00           | 3,110.97             | 0.00         |
| 9        | 450.00                                                                               | 987.12               | 1,190.24             | 207.00           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 288.00           | 3,447.36             | 9        | 450.00           | 987.12               | 1,397.24             |           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 288.00           | 3,447.36             | 0.00         |
| 1(       | 500.00                                                                               | 1,096.80             | 1,311.95             | 230.00           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 320.00           | 3,783.75             | 10       | 500.00           | 1,096.80             | 1,541.95             |           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 320.00           | 3,783.75             | 0.00         |
| 11       | 550.00                                                                               | 1,206.48             | 1,432.74             | 250.00           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 352.00           | 4,116.22             | 11       | 550.00           | 1,206.48             | 1,682.74             |           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 352.00           | 4,116.22             | 0.00         |
| 12       | 600.00                                                                               | 1,316.16             | 1,547.66             | 250.00           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 384.00           | 4,422.82             | 12       | 600.00           | 1,316.16             | 1,797.66             |           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 384.00           | 4,422.82             | 0.00         |
| 13       | 650.00<br>700.00                                                                     | 1,425.84<br>1.535.52 | 1,661.98<br>1.769.75 | 250.00<br>250.00 | 75.00<br>75.00 | 100.00<br>100.00 | 150.00<br>150.00 | 416.00<br>416.00 | 4,728.82<br>4.996.27 | 13       | 650.00<br>700.00 | 1,425.84<br>1.535.52 | 1,911.98<br>2.019.75 |           | 75.00<br>75.00 | 100.00<br>100.00 | 150.00<br>150.00 | 416.00<br>416.00 | 4,728.82<br>4.996.27 | 0.00<br>0.00 |
| 14<br>15 |                                                                                      | 1,535.52             | 1,769.75             | 250.00           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 416.00           | 4,996.27<br>5,263.72 | 14<br>15 | 750.00           | 1,535.52             | 2,019.75             |           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 416.00           | 4,996.27<br>5,263.72 | 0.00         |
| 16       | 800.00                                                                               | 1,045.20             | 1,877.32             | 250.00           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 416.00           | 5,263.72             | 15       | 800.00           | 1,045.20             | 2,127.32             |           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 416.00           | 5,263.72             | 0.00         |
| 17       | 850.00                                                                               | 1,754.88             | 2.093.06             | 250.00           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 416.00           | 5,531.17             | 10       | 850.00           | 1,754.88             | 2,235.29             |           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 416.00           | 5,551.17             | 0.00         |
| 18       | 900.00                                                                               | 1,804.50             | 2,093.00             | 250.00           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 416.00           | 5,758.02<br>6.066.07 | 17       | 900.00           | 1,804.50             | 2,343.00             |           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 416.00           | 6.066.07             | 0.00         |
| 19       | 950.00                                                                               | 2.083.92             | 2,200.00             | 250.00           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 416.00           | 6.333.52             | 10       | 950.00           | 2.083.92             | 2,450.05             |           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 416.00           | 6.333.52             | 0.00         |
| 20       | 1,000.00                                                                             | 2,193.60             | 2,416.38             | 250.00           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 416.00           | 6.600.98             | 20       | 1,000.00         | 2,193.60             | 2,666.38             |           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 416.00           | 6.600.98             | 0.00         |
| 21       | 1,050.00                                                                             | 2,303.28             | 2,524.15             | 250.00           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 416.00           | 6,868.43             | 20       | 1,050.00         | 2,303.28             | 2,000.00             |           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 416.00           | 6,868.43             | 0.00         |
| 22       | 1,100.00                                                                             | 2,412.96             | 2,631.92             | 250.00           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 416.00           | 7.135.88             | 22       | 1,100.00         | 2,412.96             | 2.881.92             |           | 75.00          | 100.00           | 150.00           | 416.00           | 7.135.88             | 0.00         |
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STUDENT SERVICE FEE \$23/SCH, \$250.00 MAXIMUM/LONG SESSION; \$125 MAXIMUM/SUMMER TERM. STUDENT HEALTH FEE \$75.00/SEMESTER; \$25.00/SUMMER TERM. STUDENT CENTER FEE \$100.00 LONG SESSION; \$50/SUMMER TERM.

RECREATIONAL SPORTS FEE \$150 LONG TERM; \$75/SUMMER TERM.

ATHLETIC SPORTS FEE \$32/SCH, \$416 MAXIMUM.

STUDENT HEALTH FEE \$75.00/SEMESTER; \$25.00/SUMMER TERM.

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MO 154-2024 (Item 2.1) EXHIBIT



# THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

# **System Internal Audit Department**

# Fiscal Year 2025 Audit Plan

(Includes potential audits for FY 2026 and FY 2027)

# MO 163-2024 (Item 4.1) EXHIBIT

# 12.03 Faculty Academic Workload and Reporting Requirements

Revised <u>August 1, 2024</u> (MO -2024) Next Scheduled Review: August 1, 2029 Click to view <u>Revision History</u>.



# **Policy Summary**

This policy provides mandatory directives to the universities (academic institutions) of The Texas A&M University System (system) regarding the minimum academic workload for faculty. It is essential that the public and stakeholders understand the variety and complexity of academic workloads while being assured that such workloads represent a positive value for the state.

## Policy

The system Board of Regents (system board) is required by law to adopt rules and regulations concerning faculty academic workloads consistent with general policies developed by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (coordinating board). Each academic institution president is required to develop guidelines specific to that academic institution and designate an officer to monitor workloads and prepare required reports as described in this system policy.

## 1. FACULTY ACADEMIC WORKLOAD

- 1.1 Each full-time person employed for instructional purposes by the academic institution is expected to teach classes and assume a reasonable workload of related activities that constitute a full-time instructional load. Persons employed on a part-time basis from instructional funds are expected to assume a workload proportional to the percentage of employment on these funds.
- 1.2 The nature of a full-time faculty academic workload varies from academic institution to academic institution (and between departments within the same academic institution) because of differences in academic institutional missions, the nature of the instructional programs, the stages of development of the academic institutions, the natures of student bodies, and other factors. In all academic institutions, faculty members are expected to engage in commonly accepted duties which enhances the teaching/learning process and the quality of the academic institution's programs. Recognized duties include classroom teaching (in multiple forms inclusive of face-to-face, distance, online, hybrid, etc.), scholarly study, basic and applied research, professional development, student advising, course and curriculum development, continuing education, public service, assistance in the administration of the academic program, and similar academic activities as appropriate. These duties are inherent in the work of a faculty member and are considered in faculty promotion, tenure, and compensation.

## 2. EVALUATION OF FACULTY ACADEMIC WORKLOAD

It is the responsibility of each academic institution's president to ensure administrative practices exist for using the academic institution's resources in the conduct of instructional duties. Each president, in conjunction with the academic institution's vice presidents, deans, and department leads, should evaluate faculty academic workloads to determine that each person employed for instructional purposes is carrying the minimum full-time equivalent load and that the academic duties within and among departments are assigned equitably.

## 3. MINIMUMFACULTY ACADEMIC TEACHING WORKLOAD STANDARDS

Although each academic institution may establish standards for teaching workloads to meet the instructional obligations of the academic institution and its students, to operate efficiently within the range of resources available to the academic institution, and to comply with the faculty workload general policies and standard reports issued by the coordinating board, the following minimum teaching workload standards apply:

- 3.1 A minimum teaching workload for undergraduate courses is nine semester credit hours of classroom teaching; a minimum teaching load for graduate courses is six semester credit hours of classroom teaching. Members may adopt higher minimum teaching workloads, but may not adopt lower minimum teaching workloads than these prescribed. Participation of senior faculty teaching undergraduate students is strongly encouraged.
- 3.2 Workload adjustments may be made to account for large class sizes; duplicate sections taught; laboratory, seminar, lecture, clinical, or field-type courses; availability of support services; situations where both graduate and undergraduate work are involved; courses which involve individualized instruction; and overload from the previous long semester.
- 3.3 Faculty teaching workload may be reduced for duties related to an administrative position.

## 4. ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONAL WORKLOAD RULE

- 4.1 Each academic institution's president prepares, in consultation with the faculty, a faculty workload rule for that academic institution. The rule establishes the faculty workload standards, provides guidelines for adjustments of workloads reflecting different kinds of instruction, and provides a schedule for awarding equivalent teaching load credit for the assignment of other academic and administrative duties.
- 4.2 The initial faculty workload rule at an academic institution will be forwarded to the chancellor for endorsement and submitted to the system board for approval. Revisions to existing academic institutional workload rules must occur in consultation with The Texas A&M University System Office of Academic Affairs and will be maintained by the academic institution.

## 5. REPORTS REQUIRED

- 5.1 Academic institutions are required to complete and submit the Faculty Report (CBM008) to the coordinating board in compliance with the current coordinating board guidelines.
- 5.2 The System Office of Academic Affairs prepares a report that presents faculty members' appointments, salaries, percentage time of appointments, and the sources of funds from which salary payments were made. The report is submitted to the chancellor and made available for review by members of the system board.

## **Related Statutes, Policies, or Requirements**

## Tex. Educ. Code § 51.402

## Member Rule Requirements

A rule is required to supplement this policy. See Sections 4.1 and 4.2.

## **Contact Office**

Academic Affairs (979) 458-6072

# 12.07 Fixed Term Academic Professional Track Faculty

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# **Policy Summary**

This policy is designed to provide a means for the universities (academic institutions) of The Texas A&M University System (system) to recruit and retain faculty whose excellence in teaching, research or service make them beneficial members of the academic institution, while providing them with stable, long-term employment.

# Policy

## 1. FACULTY DIFFERENTIATION

- 1.1 It is imperative that faculty members at academic institutions are able to meet and sustain the highly competitive requirements necessary to excel in their positions. The granting of tenure is a recognition of excellence in the areas of teaching, research **and** service (See System Policy 12.01, Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure). And, while academic institutions are able to recognize the contributions that these individuals make, it is also essential that recognition be given to faculty whose interest, excellence or discipline does not include all three areas required for tenure.
- 1.2 The creation of the non-tenure track of Assistant Professional Track Faculty, Associate Professional Track Faculty, and Senior Professional Track Faculty provides a means of securing and retaining faculty who bring to the academic institution excellence in teaching, research <u>or</u> service. This would include faculty whose position is in applied or clinical settings. These individuals provide a specific, professional skill to the academic institution, faculty, staff and students. In creating these new ranks, the academic institution is acknowledging that its skills are an essential part to the overall success of the academic institution and its mission.
- 1.3 Fixed Term Academic Professional Track faculty appointments may be offered to successfully recruit and retain faculty on campuses wherein a tenure track system does not exist.

## 2. PROFESSIONAL TRACK FACULTY RANKS

2.1 <u>Assistant Professional Track Faculty</u>. This is an entry-level rank. Appointment to this rank generally requires the appropriate terminal degree. Promotion criteria include excellence in teaching for faculty with teaching responsibilities or excellence in research or service, as appropriate for other appointments. Overall superior performance and potential for development are also expected as criteria for promotion.

- 2.2 <u>Associate Professional Track Faculty</u>. Appointment to this rank generally requires the appropriate terminal degree. It also requires significant experience related to the position responsibilities. Procedures for promotion of individuals holding the rank of Assistant Professional Track Faculty to the rank of Associate Professional Track Faculty will follow the member's review and evaluation processes for tenured and tenure track faculty. Members may create separate or additional criteria for eligibility and consideration.
- 2.3 <u>Senior Professional Track Faculty</u>. Appointment to this rank generally requires the appropriate terminal degree and a record of sustained excellent performance in all areas of appointment. Procedures for promotion of individuals holding the rank of Associate Professional Track Faculty to the rank of Senior Professional Track Faculty will follow the member's review and evaluation processes for tenured and tenure-track faculty. Members may create separate or additional criteria for eligibility and consideration.
- 2.4 Academic institutions may adopt titles that vary from those listed above as long as they are differentiated from tenure track faculty titles. On campuses wherein a tenure track system does not exist then the institution may allow the use of tenure track titles to non-tenure track faculty if they are performing in all three academic areas: teaching, research and service similar to tenure track faculty.

## 3. APPOINTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL TRACK FACULTY

- 3.1 All new Professional Track faculty members will be provided with an appointment letter stating the initial terms and conditions of employment. Any subsequent modifications or special understandings in regard to the appointment, which may be made on an annual basis, will be stated in writing and a copy given to the faculty member. The appointment letter will explicitly indicate the necessary teaching, research and/or service requirements expected of the Professional Track faculty member. Essential job functions for a position may vary depending upon the nature of the department in which the faculty member holds expertise, external funding requirements attached to the position, licensing or accreditation requirements, and other circumstances. It is, therefore, important that essential job functions for each faculty position be listed in the initial appointment letter. For example, all of the following that are applicable will be listed: teaching responsibilities, responsibilities for advising students, independent and/or collaborative research responsibilities, engaging in patient care, committee assignments, conditions imposed by external accrediting agencies, conditions for holding a named professorship or endowed chair, or a position that combines academic and administrative duties, and any other specific essential functions for the position in question. All appointment letters must indicate that the appointment is non-tenure track and will expire upon the completion of the appointment, unless the appointment is extended pursuant to Section 3.2 of this policy or the faculty member is dismissed pursuant to Section 5 of this policy.
- 3.2 Professional Track faculty member appointments may be made for periods not to exceed five years in length. If, during the course of an existing appointment, the academic institution chooses to extend the duration of an existing appointment, the extension may not exceed an additional five years. For beginning Assistant Professional Track Faculty, an appointment of no more than three years may be appropriate.

- 3.3 The academic institution must notify faculty members annually, in writing, of their salary. Any other changes or additions to the appointment also must be included.
- 3.4 Faculty members are expected to fulfill the terms and conditions of employment for the following year unless they resign prior to 30 calendar days after receiving notice of the terms. This provision will be included in all letters of appointment and annual reviews.

## 4. EVALUATION OF PROFESSIONAL TRACK FACULTY

All Professional Track academic faculty will be reviewed on an annual basis by their department head or supervisor. Such review will include all requirements established in the initial letter of appointment and any additional requirements added during annual reviews.

## 5. DISMISSAL OF A PROFESSIONAL TRACK FACULTY MEMBER

- 5.1 Professional Track faculty members whose appointment has not expired may be dismissed for cause on the same basis that tenured faculty may be dismissed for cause under System Policy 12.01.
- 5.2 Academic institutions must follow System Policy *12.01* when dismissing a Professional Track faculty member for cause.
- 5.3 Professional Track faculty members may be placed on administrative leave pending investigation as described in System Policy *12.01*.
- 5.4 Professional Track faculty are subject to the provisions of System Policy *12.01* relating to financial exigency or termination or reduction of existing programs and may be dismissed subject to this policy.

## **Related Statutes, Policies, or Requirements**

System Policy 12.01, Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure

## Member Rule Requirements

A rule is not required to supplement this policy.

## **Contact Office**

Academic Affairs (979) 458-6072



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The following are planned audits for the fiscal year 2025 audit plan. The list also includes potential audits for fiscal years 2026 and 2027 that will be formally approved in subsequent years' audit plans.

### A&M SYSTEM OFFICES

FY 2025

**Private Developments** 

FY 2026 (Potential Audits)

Available University Fund Reporting

Aviation

Cash and Investments

**Environment Safety and Security** 

High Risk Global Engagements and International Collaborations Compliance Title IX

FY 2027 (Potential Audits)

Information Technology Research Compliance Texas A&M Innovation

### **TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

FY 2025

Animal Care and Use Anatomical Gift Program – School of Dentistry Centers and Institutes College of Arts & Sciences – Information Technology Corps of Cadets Information Technology Governance Practices Student Organizations and Activities Texas A&M University at Galveston – Information Technology Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital

### FY 2026 (Potential Audits)

Accounts Receivable Contract Administration Human Research Protection Program Mays Business School – Information Technology Memorial Student Center and University Center School of Engineering Medicine – Information Technology School of Performance, Visualization, and Fine Arts – Information Technology



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### FY 2027 (Potential Audits)

Athletics College of Agriculture and Life Sciences – Information Technology College of Engineering – Information Technology Division of Marketing and Communication – Information Technology School of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences – Information Technology Service Department Rates Student Receivables

### PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

FY 2025

**Research Administration** 

- FY 2026 (Potential Audits) Contract Administration Financial Management Services Housing Programs for Minors
- FY 2027 (Potential Audits) Health and Safety NCAA Compliance Student Information System

### TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY

FY 2025

Financial Management Services Information Technology

FY 2026 (Potential Audits) Housing Research Administration

FY 2027 (Potential Audits) Athletics Contract Administration

### **TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY**

FY 2025

Programs for Minors



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FY 2026 (Potential Audits) Athletics Facilities Development Reporting to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board \* Financial Management Services Health and Safety

FY 2027 (Potential Audits) Contract Administration Housing Student Information System

### **TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CENTRAL TEXAS**

FY 2025 No planned audits

FY 2026 (Potential Audit) Tuition and Fees

FY 2027 (Potential Audits) Facilities Development Reporting to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board \* Student Information System

#### **TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE**

FY 2025

Facilities Development Reporting to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board \* Health & Safety

FY 2026 (Potential Audits) Housing Information Technology

FY 2027 (Potential Audits) Athletics NCAA Compliance

### TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI

FY 2025

Athletics

Facilities Development Reporting to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board \*



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FY 2026 (Potential Audits) Health and Safety Housing Research Administration

FY 2027 (Potential Audits) Contract Administration Financial Management Services NCAA Compliance

### **TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE**

FY 2025

Information Technology

FY 2026 (Potential Audits) Athletics Facilities Development Reporting to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board \* Health and Safety

FY 2027 (Potential Audit) NCAA Compliance

### **TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-SAN ANTONIO**

FY 2025

**Financial Management Services** 

FY 2026 (Potential Audits)

Contract Administration Facilities Development Reporting to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board \* Housing

FY 2027 (Potential Audits) Athletics Student Information System

### **TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-TEXARKANA**

FY 2025

Auxiliary Services Facilities Development Reporting to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board \*

FY 2026 (Potential Audit) Contract Administration



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(Includes potential audits for FY 2026 and FY 2027)

FY 2027 (Potential Audit) Programs for Minors

### WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

FY 2025

Auxiliary Services Facilities Development Reporting to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board \*

FY 2026 (Potential Audits) Information Technology Payroll

FY 2027 (Potential Audit) Tuition and Fees

### **TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE RESEARCH**

FY 2025 Contract Administration

FY 2026 (Potential Audits) Payroll Transportation and Fleet

FY 2027 (Potential Audits) Animal Care and Use – Outside of Brazos County Health and Safety

### **TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION**

FY 2025

**Contract Administration** 

FY 2026 (Potential Audits) Payroll Transportation and Fleet

FY 2027 (Potential Audit) Health and Safety

#### **TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATION**

FY 2025 Centers and Institutes Financial Management Services



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FY 2026 (Potential Audit) Information Technology

FY 2027 (Potential Audit) Export Controls

### **TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXTENSION SERVICE**

### FY 2025

**Export Controls** 

FY 2026 (Potential Audits) Contract Administration Health and Safety Learning Management and Student System Training and Training Support

FY 2027 (Potential Audits) Financial Management Services Sponsored Programs

### **TEXAS A&M FOREST SERVICE**

FY 2025 Contract Administration

FY 2026 (Potential Audits) Payroll Sponsored Programs

FY 2027 (Potential Audit) Transportation and Fleet

### **TEXAS A&M TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE**

#### FY 2025

Information Technology

FY 2026 (Potential Audits) Export Controls Financial Management Services

FY 2027 (Potential Audit) Health and Safety



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### TEXAS A&M VETERINARY MEDICAL DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY

FY 2025

Contract Administration

FY 2026 (Potential Audit) Payroll

FY 2027 (Potential Audit) Health and Safety

### TEXAS DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

FY 2025 No planned audits

- FY 2026 (Potential Audits) Export Controls Information Technology
- FY 2027 (Potential Audits) Contract Administration Health and Safety
- \* These audits will be performed to fulfill requirements of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board's (THECB) Facility Audit Protocol for the members selected by THECB for facilities audits in the respective fiscal years.



## System Internal Audit Department Fiscal Year 2025 Audit Plan

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The purpose of the audit plan is to outline audits and other activities the System Internal Audit Department will conduct during fiscal year 2025. The plan is developed to satisfy responsibilities established by the Board of Regents Bylaws, System Policy 10.01, *Internal Auditing*, Texas Government Code Section 2102.008, and applicable auditing standards. Deliverables for planned audits may include audit reports, technical assistance, data analysis, and other written and oral communications. The chief auditor is authorized to make changes to the plan to address changes in identified risks. The Committee on Audit and the chancellor will be notified of any significant additions, deletions, or other changes to the FY 2025 audits listed in this plan.

As part of the annual audit planning process, the System Internal Audit Department also identified potential audits for FY 2026 and FY 2027 working with A&M System and system member executive management. Changes to the list of potential audits for FY 2026 and FY 2027 will be communicated during the annual audit planning process in subsequent years.

The specific scope of each audit will be determined once the audit team has completed the planning process for the audit. This process includes consideration of the governance, risk management, and control processes that provide reasonable assurance that:

- Risks relating to the achievement of the system's strategic objectives are appropriately identified and managed.
- The actions of the system's officers, directors, employees, and contractors are in compliance with the system's policies, procedures, and applicable laws, regulations, and governance standards.
- The results of operations or programs are consistent with established goals and objectives.
- Operations or programs are being carried out effectively and efficiently.
- Established processes and systems enable compliance with the policies, procedures, laws, and regulations that could significantly impact the system.
- Information and the means used to identify, measure, analyze, classify, and report such information are reliable and have integrity.
- Resources and assets are acquired economically, used efficiently, and protected adequately.

### MO 164-2024 (Item 4.2) EXHIBIT

# **15.04** Sponsored Research Services

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### **Policy Summary**

Texas A&M Sponsored Research Services (SRS) provides pre-award and post-award sponsored research administrative services to certain members of The Texas A&M University System (system)to assist faculty and researchers in securing funding and ensure compliance with various requirements applicable to sponsored research projects.

### Policy

- 1. BENEFITS OF A SHARED SERVICE TO CERTAIN MEMBERS AS IT APPLIES TO THIS POLICY
  - 1.1 Members comprising the Texas A&M Research Enterprise (as defined below), due to its land-grant mission, are large and uniquely diverse. Although they are separate state agencies, they routinely share research resources and infrastructure.
  - 1.2 Although separate state agencies for state reporting purposes, Texas A&M University (including the Texas A&M University Health Science Center), System Offices, and the system agencies (collectively, the Research Enterprise), report as one entity as Texas A&M University in the National Science Foundation Higher Education Research and Development Survey for the purposes of national rankings and evaluations of universities.
  - 1.3 The members comprising the Research Enterprise may share a physical plant and facilities and, thus, a shared facilities and administrative cost rate for sponsored agreements.
  - 1.4 The success of the Research Enterprise depends heavily on the ability of the faculty of the various disciplines assigned to the members to work together strategically and collaboratively on multi-disciplinary projects through joint appointments and other collaborative relationships and arrangements.
  - 1.5 Pooling human and financial resources into one sponsored research management shared service provides efficient quality services and compliance in support of the multi-disciplinary researchers and the administration of the Research Enterprise.

- 2. GENERAL
  - 2.1 SRS serves as the primary provider of sponsored research administration services to the Research Enterprise members that have sponsored research activity, except as listed in Section 5.
  - 2.2 "Sponsored research activity," for purposes of this policy, includes all sponsored research, as defined in System Regulation 15.01.01, Sponsored Agreements Research and Other, activities that are coded as a NACUBO research function.
  - 2.3 Sponsored research administration services provided by SRS include, but are not limited to, proposal administration, agreement negotiation, post-award administration and reporting, sub-recipient monitoring, sponsor billings, and sponsor and agreement compliance.
  - 2.4 SRS responsibilities include the management and oversight of the electronic research information system for sponsored research proposals, agreements and awards.
  - 2.5 The executive director of SRS is responsible for the daily administration, management and operation of SRS, including the electronic research information system.

#### 3. IMPLEMENTATION

- 3.1 SRS's authority includes establishing and maintaining procedures consistent with system policies and regulations for the services it provides to members. These procedures must address the following and affirm SRS's responsibilities in the following areas:
  - (a) Proposal administration including budget development, proposal routing for approvals and proposal submission;
  - (b) Except as described in Section 5.2, agreement negotiation and acceptance of awards including outgoing sub-award agreements and other agreements that are directly tied to a sponsored research project;
  - (c) Post-award administration including project set-up, project monitoring, employment compensation compliance, sub-award monitoring, financial compliance, sponsor billing, financial reporting, other sponsor-required reporting, and closeout;
  - (d) Electronic research information system services and priorities in support of the administration of sponsored research agreements; and
  - (e) Collaboration and assistance with member audits and their respective management practices.
- 3.2 Members utilizing SRS services must establish and maintain procedures consistent with system policies and regulations addressing their responsibilities in the following areas:
  - (a) Institutional approval of proposals for the member;
  - (b) Management of faculty, faculty equivalents and staff in performing the research within established requirements for compliance and within the appropriate department, college or center;

- (c) Management of facilities and spaces used in performing the research and within established requirements;
- (d) Procurement of goods and services and the accounts payable function relating to sponsored research disbursements;
- (e) Institutional/Member resource allocations (i.e., indirect cost rates, waivers, reductions, cost sharing, sources of funding, interim funding sources and other security risks, etc.);
- (f) Compliance with all regulatory requirements for scientific research including Financial Conflict of Interest, Time and Effort, Export Controls, Environmental Health and Safety, Responsible Conduct in Research, Research Data Stewardship and Management and all research involving animals, biohazards and human subjects;
- (g) Institutional reporting responsibilities with assistance from SRS in providing information to members for reconciliation and use in institutional reporting (i.e., for the Annual Financial Report, Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, Legislative Budget Board, National Science Foundation, etc.); and
- (h) Risk assessment and mitigation for non-standard agreement terms.
- 3.3 Members utilizing SRS services must ensure that appropriate delegations and procedures are in place to align with SRS processes and timelines

### 4. OVERSIGHT AND GUIDANCE

- 4.1 SRS (including the electronic research information system) reports to the VPR at Texas A&M University.
- 4.2 The VPR collaborates with the Research Enterprise member chief executive officers (CEO) and/or the chief research officers (CRO) advisory council for the purposes of overseeing the SRS shared services and ensuring that such members' needs are being addressed.

#### 5. EXCEPTED RESEARCH PROJECTS OR RESEARCH-RELATED ACTIVITIES

- 5.1 Research Enterprise members that have research projects or research-related activities described in this section may, but are not required, to utilize SRS services for such projects or activities.
  - 5.1.1 Projects or activities funded directly by specific state or federal appropriations.
  - 5.1.2 Gift and donor agreements defined under System Regulation 21.05.01, Gifts, Donations, Grants and Endowments, even if coded as a NACUBO research function.
  - 5.1.3 Agreements for sponsored research activity funded by industry, commodity organizations, or local governmental entities, provided that post-award administration of these agreements is performed by SRS.

5.3 If a Research Enterprise member desires to manage a sponsored research activity as an exception to this policy, the member must submit a request to do so signed by the member CEO to the VPR. The decision of the VPR may be appealed by the member CEO to the chancellor.

#### 6. SRS SERVICES TO OTHER MEMBERS

- 6.1 Members that are not part of the Research Enterprise wishing to utilize the services provided by SRS may do so through an intrasystem cooperation contract approved by the member CEO or designee, the executive director of SRS and the VPR at Texas A&M University.
- 6.2 Fee assessment methodology by SRS is the same as for the Research Enterprise members. Services offered by SRS is the same as for the Research Enterprise member unless otherwise approved by the member CEO or designee, the executive director of SRS and the VPR at Texas A&M University.
- 6.3 Such agreements must address effective dates, implementation and transition of member responsibilities to SRS services by the non-Research Enterprise members.
- 6.4 Such agreements must also address the termination of SRS services that includes a grace period for transitioning services back to such members and provide sufficient time for SRS to adjust its staffing size and other operations impacted by such termination and transition.

### **Related Statutes, Policies, or Requirements**

System Policy 15.01, Research Agreements

System Regulation 15.01.01, Sponsored Agreements – Research and Other

System Regulation 21.05.01, Gifts, Donations, Grants and Endowments

### **Member Rule Requirements**

A rule is not required to supplement this policy.

### **Contact Office**

Research (979) 458-6000



MO 165-2024 (Item 5.1) EXHIBIT

# System Ethics & Compliance Office THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

### [TEMPLATE – PLACE ON MEMBER CEO LETTERHEAD]

# DEI Law Certification of Compliance

### CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Member Institution/Agency:

Chief Executive Officer:

I certify, under penalty of perjury and the loss of funding to [*insert institution name here*], that [*insert institution name here*] has complied with the requirements in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525:

[] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, have any office, division or unit with the established purpose of:

- influencing hiring or employment practices at the institution with respect to race, sex, color, or ethnicity, other than through the use of color-blind and sex-neutral hiring processes in accordance with any applicable state and federal antidiscrimination laws;
- promoting differential treatment of or providing special benefits to individuals on the basis of race, color, or ethnicity;
- promoting policies or procedures designed or implemented in reference to race, color, or ethnicity, other than policies or procedures approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law; or
- conducting trainings, programs, or activities designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, other than trainings, programs, or activities developed by an attorney and approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law.

301 Tarrow Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor • College Station, Texas 77840-7896 (979) 458-6008 • Fax (979) 458-6150 • www.tamus.edu [] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(B), this institution has not, except as required by federal law, hired or assigned an employee of the institution, or contracted with a third party to perform the duties of a diversity, equity, and inclusion office as defined in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(a).

[] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(C), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, compel, require, induce, or solicit any person to provide a diversity, equity, and inclusion statement or give preferential consideration to any person based on the provision of a diversity, equity, and inclusion statement.

[] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(D), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, give preference on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin to an applicant for employment, an employee, or a participant in any function of the institution.

[] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(E), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, require any person, as a condition of enrolling at the institution or performing any institution function, to participate in diversity, equity, and inclusion training, which includes a training, program, or activity designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, unless the training meets the exception in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(E)(ii).

[] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(2), that this institution has adopted policies and procedures for appropriately disciplining, including by termination, an employee or contractor of the institution who engages in conduct in violation of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A)-(E).

[] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(e), that no state appropriations to this institution for [*insert fiscal year*] have been spent prior to submission of this certification report to the Legislature and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

[] I understand the State Auditor's Office will conduct a compliance audit for this institution and if violations of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 are found, this institution must cure the violation within 180 days or become ineligible to receive formula funding increases, institutional enhancements, or exceptional items during the state fiscal biennium immediately following the state fiscal biennium in which the determination is made.

[] I understand all complaints regarding any violations made by this institution will be sent to the State Auditor's Office for review.

To ensure full compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525, in the past fiscal year [*insert institution name here*] has conducted the following:

- Conducted a review of all programs and activities, offices, personnel, and training sessions for potential violations of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 and discontinued those found to be in violation.
- Updated *The Texas A&M University System Policy 08.01 Civil Rights Protection and Compliance* to reflect additions to Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 which was adopted by the Board of Regents in August 2023.
- Developed and implemented operating procedures in line with the updated System policy and The Texas A&M University System D.E.I. Compliance Operational Manual to facilitate on-going compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525. See attached compliance checklist as supporting documentation.
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| Signature of Institution President/CEO | Date                              |
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| Signature of Board Chair               | Date                              |
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# System Ethics & Compliance Office

Annual D.E.I. Compliance *ECO Review Checklist* 

 Member Agency/Institution:

 Ethics & Compliance Officer:

Chief Executive Officer:

| FINANCE & BUDGETING                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Meets<br>Compliance?<br>Y/N/NA | Employee<br>Responsible<br>(include title and location) | Summary of Action Taken<br>(identify documented evidence used in the process)                              | Date<br>Verified |
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| <b><u>Budgets &amp; Accounting</u></b> : Determine whether the inclusion initiatives in violation of DEI Law as                                                                                                                                  |                                |                                                         | ation of account and budget codes that fund diversity, equity,<br>Sivil Rights Compliance and Protections. | and              |
| • Identified accounts and/or budget codes that fund DEI initiatives and taken action to ensure compliance.                                                                                                                                       |                                |                                                         |                                                                                                            |                  |
| • Eliminated accounts and/or budget codes to include titles, locations/departments, sub-accounts/sub-departments, and funding sources that violate DEI Law.                                                                                      |                                |                                                         |                                                                                                            |                  |
| • Implemented procedures for the systemic<br>review and vetting of current and proposed<br>accounts and budget codes to include titles,<br>locations/departments, sub-accounts/sub-<br>departments, and funding sources to ensure<br>compliance. |                                |                                                         |                                                                                                            |                  |
| • Implemented a record-retention process for reporting purposes.                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                |                                                         |                                                                                                            |                  |

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| HUMAN RESOURCES                                                                                                                                                                      | Meets<br>Compliance?<br>Y/N/NA | <b>Employee</b><br><b>Responsible</b><br>( <i>include title and location</i> ) | Summary of Action Taken<br>(identify documented evidence used in the process)     | Date<br>Verified |
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| <b><u>DEI Related Offices and Third-Party Contracts</u>:</b><br>violate the DEI Law as implemented by Systen                                                                         |                                |                                                                                | omplied with the elimination of departments, divisions, and/o<br>and Protections. | or offices that  |
| • Identified offices, divisions, or other units that<br>are responsible for diversity, equity, and<br>inclusion initiatives and took action to ensure<br>compliance.                 |                                |                                                                                |                                                                                   |                  |
| • Identified third-party vendors performing the duties of a diversity, equity, and inclusion office and took action to ensure compliance.                                            |                                |                                                                                |                                                                                   |                  |
| <b><u>Personnel</u></b> : Determine whether the member has complied with the restriction on hiring or assigning employees to perform the duties of diversity, equity, and inclusion. |                                |                                                                                |                                                                                   |                  |
| • Identified active personnel with<br>responsibilities for performing diversity,<br>equity, and inclusion functions and took action<br>to ensure compliance.                         |                                |                                                                                |                                                                                   |                  |
| • Identified unallowable personnel duties within active and inactive job descriptions and working templates for language that violates DEI Law and took action to ensure compliance. |                                |                                                                                |                                                                                   |                  |
| • Identified employee funding sources that violate DEI Law and took action to ensure compliance.                                                                                     |                                |                                                                                |                                                                                   |                  |

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | e special benefit or promote pref | and employment practices and procedures have been updated<br>erential treatment on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or<br>n of the institution relating to this process. |               |
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| • Reviewed hiring and employment documents<br>and materials, to include rubrics and matrices,<br>and identified prohibited language,<br>requirements, practices and/or procedures<br>took action to ensure compliance. (See DEI<br>Law Operations Manual under IV.<br>Monitoring, Section B, Item 2c for a<br>comprehensive list.) |                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                   |               |
| • Reviewed performance evaluation tools and<br>metrics, documents and forms for<br>promotions, merit increases, and equity<br>adjustments, and all related procedures;<br>identified prohibited language and/or<br>requirements and took action to ensure<br>compliance.                                                           |                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                   |               |
| • Implemented a system of systemic evaluation<br>and review to vet proposed positions,<br>processes, and materials to ensure they meet<br>compliance prior to publication.                                                                                                                                                         |                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                   |               |
| <u><b>Training Sessions and Materials</b></u> : Determine whether<br>DEI Law as implemented by System Policy 08.01, Ci                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                   | he elimination of required training sessions and materials tha ctions.                                                                                                            | t violate the |
| • Reviewed required training sessions for those identified as prohibited by DEI Law and took action to ensure compliance.                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                   |               |
| • Reviewed all training sessions and materials<br>for language and elements prohibited by DEI<br>Law and took action to ensure compliance.                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                   |               |

| • Implemented procedures to review proposed training sessions and materials for compliance prior to activation.                                                                                             |                                |                                                         |                                                                               |                  |
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| FACULTY AFFAIRS                                                                                                                                                                                             | Meets<br>Compliance?<br>Y/N/NA | Employee<br>Responsible<br>(include title and location) | Summary of Action Taken<br>(identify documented evidence used in the process) | Date<br>Verified |
| <b><u>Procedures, Programs and Activities</u>: Determine<br/>treatment of or provide special benefits to ind</b>                                                                                            |                                |                                                         | l procedures, programs and activities which promote differen<br>thnicity.     | ntial            |
| • Reviewed all faculty hiring and recruiting practices and identified those that violate DEI Law and took action to ensure compliance.                                                                      |                                |                                                         |                                                                               |                  |
| • Reviewed all procedures for tenure review,<br>promotions, merit increases, and equity<br>adjustments; identified those that violate DEI<br>Law and took action to ensure compliance.                      |                                |                                                         |                                                                               |                  |
| • Reviewed all faculty organizations supported<br>by the university to evaluate their purpose,<br>structure, and funding. Identified those that<br>violate DEI Law and took action to ensure<br>compliance. |                                |                                                         |                                                                               |                  |
| • Reviewed all grant proposals and accreditation certifications and identified those that violate DEI Law and took action to ensure compliance.                                                             |                                |                                                         |                                                                               |                  |
| • Reviewed all accreditation certifications and identified those that violate DEI Law and took action to ensure compliance.                                                                                 |                                |                                                         |                                                                               |                  |

| • Reviewed the provisions for all academic or<br>professional opportunities extended to<br>students, faculty, and visiting scholars to<br>include institutional conferences and seminars<br>and identified those that violate DEI Law and<br>took action to ensure compliance.        |                                |                                                         |                                                                               |                  |
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| • Reviewed all forms, documents, procedures,<br>and practices related to the functions listed in<br>this section and identified those that violate<br>DEI Law and took action to ensure<br>compliance.                                                                                |                                |                                                         |                                                                               |                  |
| • Implemented procedures for the systemic<br>evaluation and review of all functions listed<br>in this section to include the vetting of<br>proposed processes, practices, organizations,<br>funding proposals, certifications and<br>corresponding materials to ensure<br>compliance. |                                |                                                         |                                                                               |                  |
| STUDENT AFFAIRS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Meets<br>Compliance?<br>Y/N/NA | Employee<br>Responsible<br>(include title and location) | Summary of Action Taken<br>(identify documented evidence used in the process) | Date<br>Verified |
| <b><u>Procedures, Programs and Activities</u>:</b> Determine treatment of or provide special benefits to ind                                                                                                                                                                          |                                |                                                         | l procedures, programs and activities which promote differen<br>thnicity.     | ıtial            |
| • Reviewed all departmental events including institutional conferences and seminars and identified those that violate DEI Law and took action to ensure compliance.                                                                                                                   |                                |                                                         |                                                                               |                  |

| • Reviewed all staff work and identified those that violate DEI Law and took action to ensure compliance.                                              |                                |                                                         |                                                                               |                  |
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| • Reviewed all student and staff training sessions and identified those that violate DEI Law and took action to ensure compliance.                     |                                |                                                         |                                                                               |                  |
| • Reviewed all student success and outreach programs and identified those that violate DEI Law and took action to ensure compliance.                   |                                |                                                         |                                                                               |                  |
| • Implemented procedures for the systemic evaluation and review of all trainings, programs, events, and activities to ensure compliance.               |                                |                                                         |                                                                               |                  |
| SCHOLARSHIPS & FINANCIAL AID                                                                                                                           | Meets<br>Compliance?<br>Y/N/NA | Employee<br>Responsible<br>(include title and location) | Summary of Action Taken<br>(identify documented evidence used in the process) | Date<br>Verified |
| Scholarships & Financial Aid: Determine wheth of or provide special benefits to individuals on                                                         |                                |                                                         | ward of scholarships and financial aid that promote differen                  | tial treatment   |
| • Reviewed all awards administered, promoted,<br>and/or facilitated by the member for violation<br>of DEI Law and took action to ensure<br>compliance. |                                |                                                         |                                                                               |                  |
| • Reviewed all outlets announcing or promoting scholarships and financial aid, to include websites and social media pages, for violation               |                                |                                                         |                                                                               |                  |

of DEI Law and took action to ensure

compliance.

| • Reviewed all materials including but not<br>limited to applications, informational<br>documents, marketing materials, guidelines,<br>and operating documents for violations of DEI<br>Law and took action to ensure compliance.                                                                                |                                |                                                         |                                                                                               |                  |
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| • Implemented procedures for the systemic review of all functions listed above to ensure compliance.                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                |                                                         |                                                                                               |                  |
| ATHLETICS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Meets<br>Compliance?<br>Y/N/NA | Employee<br>Responsible<br>(include title and location) | <b>Summary of Action Taken</b><br>( <i>identify documented evidence used in the process</i> ) | Date<br>Verified |
| <b>Procedures, Programs and Activities</b> : Determine whether the member has discontinued procedures, programs and activities which promote differential treatment of or provide special benefits to individuals on the basis of race, color, or ethnicity.                                                     |                                |                                                         |                                                                                               |                  |
| • Reviewed procedures, programs, and activities for violations of DEI Law and took action to ensure compliance.                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                |                                                         |                                                                                               |                  |
| • Reviewed required non-athletic training sessions (internal and external) for students and staff for violations of DEI Law and took action to ensure compliance.                                                                                                                                                |                                |                                                         |                                                                                               |                  |
| • Reviewed all materials developed, produced,<br>funded, and distributed through the<br>department to include applications, marketing<br>materials, guidelines, operating manuals, and<br>any other publication provided by the<br>department for violations of DEI Law and<br>took action to ensure compliance. |                                |                                                         |                                                                                               |                  |

| • Reviewed all co-sponsored events with outside entities for violations of DEI Law and took action to ensure compliance.                                                                                                                             |                                |                                                                       |                                                                               |                  |
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| • Implemented procedures for the systemic review of all functions listed above to ensure compliance.                                                                                                                                                 |                                |                                                                       |                                                                               |                  |
| WEBSITES & SOCIAL MEDIA                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Meets<br>Compliance?<br>Y/N/NA | <b>Employee</b><br><b>Responsible</b><br>(include title and location) | Summary of Action Taken<br>(identify documented evidence used in the process) | Date<br>Verified |
| <u>Website and Social Media Information</u> : Determi<br>media platforms have been identified and rem                                                                                                                                                |                                | ferences to unallowable o                                             | diversity, equity and inclusion activities on member websites                 | and social       |
| • Reviewed member websites and social media platforms for content, links, static materials, and downloadable documents for violation of DEI Law and took action to ensure compliance.                                                                |                                |                                                                       |                                                                               |                  |
| • Reviewed affiliate websites and social media platforms for content and affiliation language in violation of DEI Law and took action to ensure compliance.                                                                                          |                                |                                                                       |                                                                               |                  |
| • Implemented a systemic process of review of<br>member websites, domains, and social media<br>platforms to include keyword searches to<br>identify references to DEI related terms that<br>violate DEI Law and took action to ensure<br>compliance. |                                |                                                                       |                                                                               |                  |

| • Implemented a vetting process by which<br>proposed information to be posted to member<br>websites, domains, social media platforms, or<br>any Internet or network outlet will be<br>evaluated to ensure compliance with DEI<br>Law. |                                |                                                         |                                                                                                          |                  |
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| INTERNAL CONTROLS &<br>MONITORING                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Meets<br>Compliance?<br>Y/N/NA | Employee<br>Responsible<br>(include title and location) | Summary of Action Taken<br>(identify documented evidence used in the process)                            | Date<br>Verified |
| Internal Controls & Monitoring: Determine whe<br>implemented operating procedures, and imple                                                                                                                                          |                                | -                                                       | ited diversity, equity, and inclusion related rules, developed a<br>DEI Law and A&M System Policy 08.01. | nd               |
| • Reviewed and identified member rules and operating procedures in place that are not compliant with DEI Law and took action to ensure compliance.                                                                                    |                                |                                                         |                                                                                                          |                  |
| • Developed and implemented operating procedures to ensure continued compliance with DEI Law.                                                                                                                                         |                                |                                                         |                                                                                                          |                  |
| • Implemented internal controls including<br>assignment of monitoring responsibilities,<br>procedures for training, and processes for<br>disseminating information to stakeholders to<br>ensure compliance with DEI Law.              |                                |                                                         |                                                                                                          |                  |
| • Developed a compliance response and reporting process to address issues of noncompliance with DEI Law.                                                                                                                              |                                |                                                         |                                                                                                          |                  |

| • Identified procedures for disciplinary action/sanctioning for violations of DEI Law. |  |  |  |  |
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**SUMMARY OF FINDINGS:** (to be completed by SECO/OGC)

Meets compliance

Meets compliance after implementing recommendations

Factors preventing compliance as agency/institute of higher learning has not implemented recommendations on statutory/regulatory requirements

### **SIGNATURES**

Compliance Officer

Date

Approved by:

Chief Executive Officer

Date



PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

A Member of the Texas A&M University System

### DEI Law Certification of Compliance

### CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

| Member Institution/Agency: | Prairie View A&M University |
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| Chief Executive Officer:   | Tomikia P. LeGrande         |

I certify, under penalty of perjury and the loss of funding to Prairie View A&M University, that Prairie View A&M University has complied with the requirements in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525:

 $[f_1]$  I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, have any office, division or unit with the established purpose of:

- influencing hiring or employment practices at the institution with respect to race, sex, color, or ethnicity, other than through the use of color-blind and sex-neutral hiring processes in accordance with any applicable state and federal antidiscrimination laws;
- promoting differential treatment of or providing special benefits to individuals on the basis of race, color, or ethnicity;
- promoting policies or procedures designed or implemented in reference to race, color, or ethnicity, other than policies or procedures approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law; or
- conducting trainings, programs, or activities designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, other than trainings, programs, or activities developed by an attorney and approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law.

[ ] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(B), this institution has not, except as required by federal law, hired or assigned an employee of the institution, or contracted with a third party to perform the duties of a diversity, equity, and inclusion office as defined in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(a).

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[] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(C), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, compel, require, induce, or solicit any person to provide a diversity, equity, and inclusion statement or give preferential consideration to any person based on the provision of a diversity, equity, and inclusion statement.

### *tpl*

[] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(D), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, give preference on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin to an applicant for employment, an employee, or a participant in any function of the institution.

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[ ] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(E), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, require any person, as a condition of enrolling at the institution or performing any institution function, to participate in diversity, equity, and inclusion training, which includes a training, program, or activity designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, unless the training meets the exception in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(E)(ii).

### tPl.

[ ] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(2), that this institution has adopted policies and procedures for appropriately disciplining, including by termination, an employee or contractor of the institution who engages in conduct in violation of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A)-(E).

### tPl.

[] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(e), that no state appropriations to this institution for [*insert fiscal year*] have been spent prior to submission of this certification report to the Legislature and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

### **tpl**

[ ] I understand the State Auditor's Office will conduct a compliance audit for this institution and if violations of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 are found, this institution must cure the violation within 180 days or become ineligible to receive formula funding increases, institutional enhancements, or exceptional items during the state fiscal biennium immediately following the state fiscal biennium in which the determination is made.

## tpl

[ ] I understand all complaints regarding any violations made by this institution will be sent to the State Auditor's Office for review.

To ensure full compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525, in the past fiscal year [*insert institution name here*] has conducted the following:

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- Conducted a review of all programs and activities, offices, personnel, and training sessions for potential violations of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 and discontinued those found to be in violation.
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|                                        | 6/27/2024   7:41 AM CDT           |
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| Signature of Institution President/CEO | Date                              |
| Signature of Board Chair               | Date                              |
| Date Submitted to the THECB            | Date Submitted to the Legislature |



ITEM EXHIBIT

Office of the President Tarleton State University

# DEI Law Certification of Compliance

### CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

| Member Institution/Agency: | Tarleton State University |
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| Chief Executive Officer:   | Dr. James Hurley          |

I certify, under penalty of perjury and the loss of funding to Tarleton State University, that Tarleton State University has complied with the requirements in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525:

[X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, have any office, division or unit with the established purpose of:

- influencing hiring or employment practices at the institution with respect to race, sex, color, or ethnicity, other than through the use of color-blind and sex-neutral hiring processes in accordance with any applicable state and federal antidiscrimination laws;
- promoting differential treatment of or providing special benefits to individuals on the basis of race, color, or ethnicity;
- promoting policies or procedures designed or implemented in reference to race, color, or ethnicity, other than policies or procedures approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law; or
- conducting trainings, programs, or activities designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, other than trainings, programs, or activities developed by an attorney and approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law.

[X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(B), this institution has not, except as required by federal law, hired or assigned an employee of the institution, or contracted with a third party to perform the duties of a diversity, equity, and inclusion office as defined in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(a).

[X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(C), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, compel, require, induce, or solicit any person to provide a diversity, equity, and inclusion statement or give preferential consideration to any person based on the provision of a diversity, equity, and inclusion statement. [X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(D), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, give preference on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin to an applicant for employment, an employee, or a participant in any function of the institution.

[X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(E), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, require any person, as a condition of enrolling at the institution or performing any institution function, to participate in diversity, equity, and inclusion training, which includes a training, program, or activity designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, unless the training meets the exception in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(E)(ii).

[X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(2), that this institution has adopted policies and procedures for appropriately disciplining, including by termination, an employee or contractor of the institution who engages in conduct in violation of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A)-(E).

[X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(e), that no state appropriations to this institution for *[insert fiscal year]* have been spent prior to submission of this certification report to the Legislature and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

[X] I understand the State Auditor's Office will conduct a compliance audit for this institution and if violations of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 are found, this institution must cure the violation within 180 days or become ineligible to receive formula funding increases, institutional enhancements, or exceptional items during the state fiscal biennium immediately following the state fiscal biennium in which the determination is made.

[X] I understand all complaints regarding any violations made by this institution will be sent to the State Auditor's Office for review.

To ensure full compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525, in the past fiscal year Tarleton State University has conducted the following:

- Conducted a review of all programs and activities, offices, personnel, and training sessions for potential violations of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 and discontinued those found to be in violation.
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| Signature of Institution President/CEO | Date                              |
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| Signature of Board Chair               | Date                              |
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| Date Submitted to the THECB            | Date Submitted to the Legislature |



ITEM EXHIBIT

TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY A Member of The Texas A&M University System

Office of the President

### DEI Law Certification of Compliance

### CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

| Member Institution/Agency: | Texas A&M International University |
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| Chief Executive Officer:   | Dr. Pablo Arenaz                   |

I certify, under penalty of perjury and the loss of funding to [*insert institution name here*], that Texas A&M International University has complied with the requirements in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525:

[X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, have any office, division or unit with the established purpose of:

- influencing hiring or employment practices at the institution with respect to race, sex, color, or ethnicity, other than through the use of color-blind and sex-neutral hiring processes in accordance with any applicable state and federal antidiscrimination laws;
- promoting differential treatment of or providing special benefits to individuals on the basis of race, color, or ethnicity;
- promoting policies or procedures designed or implemented in reference to race, color, or ethnicity, other than policies or procedures approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law; or
- conducting trainings, programs, or activities designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, other than trainings, programs, or activities developed by an attorney and approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law.

[X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(B), this institution has not, except as required by federal law, hired or assigned an employee of the institution, or contracted with a third party to perform the duties of a diversity, equity, and inclusion office as defined in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(a).

[X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(C), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, compel, require, induce, or solicit any person to provide a diversity, equity, and inclusion statement or give preferential consideration to any person based on the provision of a diversity, equity, and inclusion statement.

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|                                        | 3 June 2024                       |
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| Signature of Institution President/CEO | Date                              |
| Signature of Board Chair               | Date                              |
| Date Submitted to the THECB            | Date Submitted to the Legislature |



### DEI Law Certification of Compliance

### CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

| Member Institution/Agency: | Texas A&M University                        |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| Chief Executive Officer:   | General (Ret.) Mark A. Welsh III, President |

I certify, under penalty of perjury and the loss of funding to Texas A&M University, that Texas A&M University has complied with the requirements in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525:

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|                                        | 7/12/2024                         |
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| Signature of Institution President/CEO | Date                              |
| Signature of Board Chair               | Date                              |
| Date Submitted to the THECB            | Date Submitted to the Legislature |

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## DEI Law Certification of Compliance

## CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

| Member Institution/Agency: | Texas A&M University - Central Texas |  |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| Chief Executive Officer:   | Dr. Richard Rhodes                   |  |

I certify, under penalty of perjury and the loss of funding to Texas A&M University - Central Texas, that Texas A&M University - Central Texas has complied with the requirements in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525:

I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, have any office, division or unit with the established purpose of:

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UNIVERSITY CENTRAL TEXAS.

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Signature of Institution President/CEO

May 30, 2024 Date

Signature of Board Chair

Date

Date Submitted to the THECB

Date Submitted to the Legislature

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# DEI Law Certification of Compliance

# CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Member Institution/Agency: Chief Executive Officer: Texas A&M University Commerce

I certify, under penalty of perjury and the loss of funding to Texas A&M University - Commerce that Texas A&M University - Commerce has complied with the requirements in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525:

Dr. Mark Rudin

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5/30/24 Date

Signature of Board Chair

Date

Date Submitted to the THECB

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#### ITEM EXHIBIT

**DIVISION OF INSTITUTIONAL EXCELLENCE** 

6300 Ocean Drive, Unit 5761 Corpus Christi, Texas 78412-5761 O: 361.825.3168

June 3, 2024

Ms. Janet Gordon Ethics & Compliance Officer The Texas A&M University System Moore/Connally Building 301 Tarrow Street College Station, Texas 77840

Dear Janet,

Attached please find the following signed forms:

- 1. Chief Executive Officer Acknowledgement and
- 2. Internal Controls & Monitoring Review Checklist.

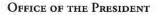
Special thanks to Dora Lisa Zavala and the entire SECO team for their assistance throughout this effort. We appreciate the support very much and could not have done it without you all.

Sincerely,

John C.B. LaRue Vice President for Institutional Excellence and Chief Ethics & Compliance Officer

Attachments

cc: Dr. Kelly Miller Ms. Dora Lisa Zavala





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## DEI Law Certification of Compliance

#### CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

| Member Institution/Agency: | Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Chief Executive Officer:   | Dr. Kelly M. Miller                 |

I certify, under penalty of perjury and the loss of funding to Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, that Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi has complied with the requirements in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525:

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| Signature of Board Chair               | Date                              |
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# SYSTEM ETHICS & COMPLIANCE OFFICE

Annual D.E.I. Compliance

Review Checklist: Internal Controls & Monitoring

| Member Agency/Institution:                                                                                                                                                                                       | Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                   |  |
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| Ethics & Compliance Officer:                                                                                                                                                                                     | Mr. John C.B. LaRue                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                   |  |
| Review Completed by:                                                                                                                                                                                             | Mr. John C.B. LaRue                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | John C.B. LaRue   |  |
| INTERNAL CONTROLS &<br>MONITORING                                                                                                                                                                                | Summary of Action Taken<br>(identify documented evidence used in the process)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Date<br>Verified  |  |
| Internal Controls & Monitoring: De<br>inclusion related rules, developed<br>according to DEI Law and A&M Sy                                                                                                      | termine whether the member has removed prohibited diversity, equit<br>and implemented operating procedures, and implemented internal co<br>stem Policy 08.01.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | y, and<br>ontrols |  |
| <ul> <li>Reviewed and identified member ru<br/>operating procedures in place that an<br/>compliant with DEI Law and took a<br/>to ensure compliance.</li> </ul>                                                  | e not - College handbooks were reviewed for compliance by the                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 7/23-12/23        |  |
| <ul> <li>Developed and implemented operati<br/>procedures to ensure continued<br/>compliance with DEI Law.</li> </ul>                                                                                            | <ul> <li>The Chief Ethics &amp; Compliance Officer created &amp; promulgated the university's DEI Compliance Manual. The manual was approved by President's Cabinet and contains detailed information regarding which offices on campus are responsible for continued compliance with SB 17. The university plans to post the manual, along with OGC FAQ's, on a university website for easy reference not later than August 1, 2024.</li> </ul> | 4/24              |  |
| <ul> <li>Implemented internal controls incluassignment of monitoring responsib<br/>procedures for training, and process<br/>disseminating information to stakeh<br/>to ensure compliance with DEI Law</li> </ul> | ilities,<br>es for<br>olders scholarships & financial aid, athletics, the university's<br>website and social media sites, and university policies and<br>procedures. The manual identifies parties responsible for<br>each aspect of monitoring to ensure accountability and                                                                                                                                                                     | 7/23-4/24         |  |

| • Developed a compliance response and reporting process to address issues of noncompliance with DEI Law.         | - The university's response and reporting process for<br>complaints is contained within the DEI Compliance Manual.<br>All reports of a potential violation should be directed to the<br>Risk, Fraud, and Misconduct Hotline, also known as<br>EthicsPoint. The university's Chief Ethics & Compliance<br>Officer is responsible for managing all EthicsPoint<br>complaints.                                                                                                                                                                     | 4/24 |
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| <ul> <li>Identified procedures for disciplinary<br/>action/sanctioning for violations of DEI<br/>Law.</li> </ul> | • Per the DEI Compliance Manual, "in cases where a determination of noncompliance suggests willful violations by an employee, the matter will be referred to the appropriate A&M-CC procedure to process the complaint through the applicable disciplinary or civil rights process, including those outlined in System Regulations: 8.01.01, 16.01.01, 32.01.01, 32.01.02, or 32.02.02. There may be instances where noncompliance also implicates other violations of a community member's civil rights, which will be similarly adjudicated." | 4/24 |

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS: (to be completed by Member Ethics & Compliance Officer)

Meets compliance

Meets compliance after implementing recommendations

Factors preventing compliance as agency/institute of higher learning has not implemented recommendations on statutory/regulatory requirements

## **SIGNATURES**

| John C.B. LaRue               |  |
|-------------------------------|--|
| Employee Completing Checklist |  |

Signature V

Vice President for Institutional Excellence & Chief Ethics & Compliance Officer Title

30 24 Date

Approved by:

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ITEM EXHIBIT

# Office of the President

# **DEI Law Certification of Compliance**

## CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

| Member Institution/Agency: | Texas A&M University-Kingsville | _ |
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| Chief Executive Officer:   | Dr. Robert H. Vela Jr.          |   |

I certify, under penalty of perjury and the loss of funding to [insert institution name here], that [insert institution name here] has complied with the requirements in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525:

[] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, have any office, division or unit with the established purpose of:

- influencing hiring or employment practices at the institution with respect to race, sex, color, or ethnicity, other than through the use of color-blind and sex-neutral hiring processes in accordance with any applicable state and federal antidiscrimination laws;
- promoting differential treatment of or providing special benefits to individuals on the basis of race, color, or ethnicity;
- promoting policies or procedures designed or implemented in reference to race, color, or ethnicity, other than policies or procedures approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law; or
- conducting trainings, programs, or activities designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, other than trainings, programs, or activities developed by an attorney and approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law.

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[ I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(B), this institution has not, except as required by federal law, hired or assigned an employee of the institution, or contracted with a third party to perform the duties of a diversity, equity, and inclusion office as defined in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(a).

I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(C), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, compel, require, induce, or solicit any person to provide a diversity, equity, and inclusion statement or give preferential consideration to any person based on the provision of a diversity, equity, and inclusion statement.

[✔] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(D), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, give preference on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin to an applicant for employment, an employee, or a participant in any function of the institution.

[✔] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(E), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, require any person, as a condition of enrolling at the institution or performing any institution function, to participate in diversity, equity, and inclusion training, which includes a training, program, or activity designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, unless the training meets the exception in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(E)(ii).

[✔] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(2), that this institution has adopted policies and procedures for appropriately disciplining, including by termination, an employee or contractor of the institution who engages in conduct in violation of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A)-(E).

[✔] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(e), that no state appropriations to this institution for [*insert fiscal year*] have been spent prior to submission of this certification report to the Legislature and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

[ ✓ I understand the State Auditor's Office will conduct a compliance audit for this institution and if violations of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 are found, this institution must cure the violation within 180 days or become ineligible to receive formula funding increases, institutional enhancements, or exceptional items during the state fiscal biennium immediately following the state fiscal biennium in which the determination is made.

I understand all complaints regarding any violations made by this institution will be sent to the State Auditor's Office for review. To ensure full compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525, in the past fiscal year [*insert institution name here*] has conducted the following:

- Conducted a review of all programs and activities, offices, personnel, and training sessions for potential violations of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 and discontinued those found to be in violation.
- Updated *The Texas A&M University System Policy 08.01 Civil Rights Protection and Compliance* to reflect additions to Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 which was adopted by the Board of Regents in August 2023.
- Developed and implemented operating procedures in line with the updated System policy and The Texas A&M University System D.E.I. Compliance Operational Manual to facilitate on-going compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525. See attached compliance checklist as supporting documentation.
- Participated in an audit review by The Texas A&M University System Department of Internal Audit with the objective of evaluating actions taken by the institution to ensure compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525.

Failure to return a certification form to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board by September 1, 2024, will be considered an act of non-compliance with the law and can subject the above referenced institution to all penalties allowed by law.

|                                        | 5/31/24                                   |
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| Signature of Institution President/CEO | Date                                      |
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| Signature of Board Chair               | Date                                      |
| Date Submitted to the THECB            | Date Submitted to the Legislature         |



ITEM EXHIBIT

Office of the President Salvador Hector Ochoa, Ph.D.

# DEI Law Certification of Compliance

## CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

| Member Institution/Agency: | Texas A&M University-San Antonio |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Chief Executive Officer:   | Dr. Salvador Hector Ochoa        |

I certify, under penalty of perjury and the loss of funding to Texas A&M University-San Antonio, that Texas A&M University-San Antonio has complied with the requirements in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525:

[ $\psi$ ] certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, have any office, division or unit with the established purpose of:

- influencing hiring or employment practices at the institution with respect to race, sex, color, or ethnicity, other than through the use of color-blind and sex-neutral hiring processes in accordance with any applicable state and federal antidiscrimination laws;
- promoting differential treatment of or providing special benefits to individuals on the basis of race, color, or ethnicity;
- promoting policies or procedures designed or implemented in reference to race, color, or ethnicity, other than policies or procedures approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law; or
- conducting trainings, programs, or activities designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, other than trainings, programs, or activities developed by an attorney and approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law.

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#### OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT SALVADOR HECTOR OCHOA, PH.D.

I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(B), this institution has not, except as required by federal law, hired or assigned an employee of the institution, or contracted with a third party to perform the duties of a diversity, equity, and inclusion office as defined in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(a).

I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(C), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, compel, require, induce, or solicit any person to provide a diversity, equity, and inclusion statement or give preferential consideration to any person based on the provision of a diversity, equity, and inclusion statement.

[ $\sqrt{1}$  certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(D), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, give preference on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin to an applicant for employment, an employee, or a participant in any function of the institution.

[ $\checkmark$  certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(E), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, require any person, as a condition of enrolling at the institution or performing any institution function, to participate in diversity, equity, and inclusion training, which includes a training, program, or activity designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, unless the training meets the exception in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(E)(ii).

[ $\sqrt{1}$  certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(2), that this institution has adopted policies and procedures for appropriately disciplining, including by termination, an employee or contractor of the institution who engages in conduct in violation of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A)-(E).

[V certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(e), that no state appropriations to this institution for Fiscal Year 2025 have been spent prior to submission of this certification report to the Legislature and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

[ 1] understand the State Auditor's Office will conduct a compliance audit for this institution and if violations of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 are found, this institution must cure the violation within 180 days or become ineligible to receive formula funding increases, institutional enhancements, or exceptional items during the state fiscal biennium immediately following the state fiscal biennium in which the determination is made.



#### OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT SALVADOR HECTOR OCHOA, PH.D.

 $[\mathbf{y}]$  understand all complaints regarding any violations made by this institution will be sent to the State Auditor's Office for review.

To ensure full compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525, in the past fiscal year, Texas A&M University-San Antonio has conducted the following:

- Conducted a review of all programs and activities, offices, personnel, and training sessions for potential violations of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 and discontinued those found to be in violation.
- Updated The Texas A&M University System Policy 08.01 Civil Rights Protection and Compliance to reflect additions to Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 which was adopted by the Board of Regents in August 2023.
- Developed and implemented operating procedures in line with the updated System policy and the Texas A&M University System D.E.I. Compliance Operational Manual to facilitate on-going compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525. See attached compliance checklist as supporting documentation.
- Participated in an audit review by The Texas A&M University System Department of Internal Audit with the objective of evaluating actions taken by the institution to ensure compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525.

Failure to return a certification form to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board by September 1, 2024, will be considered an act of non-compliance with the law and can subject the above referenced institution to all penalties allowed by law.

|                                        | 5-31-2024                                       |
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| Signature of Institution President/CEO | Date                                            |
| Signature of Board Chair               | Date                                            |
| Date Submitted to the THECB            | Date Submitted to the Legislature               |
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ITEM EXHIBIT

# Office of the Chancellor THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

# DEI Law Certification of Compliance

## CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

| Member Institution/Agency: | The Texas A&M University System Offices |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Chief Executive Officer:   | Chancellor John Sharp                   |

I certify, under penalty of perjury and the loss of funding to [*insert institution name here*], that [*insert institution name here*] has complied with the requirements in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525:

[X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, have any office, division or unit with the established purpose of:

- influencing hiring or employment practices at the institution with respect to race, sex, color, or ethnicity, other than through the use of color-blind and sex-neutral hiring processes in accordance with any applicable state and federal antidiscrimination laws;
- promoting differential treatment of or providing special benefits to individuals on the basis of race, color, or ethnicity;
- promoting policies or procedures designed or implemented in reference to race, color, or ethnicity, other than policies or procedures approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law; or
- conducting trainings, programs, or activities designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, other than trainings, programs, or activities developed by an attorney and approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law.

[X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(B), this institution has not, except as required by federal law, hired or assigned an employee of the institution, or contracted with a third party to perform the duties of a diversity, equity, and inclusion office as defined in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(a).

[X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(C), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, compel, require, induce, or solicit any person to provide a diversity, equity, and inclusion statement or give preferential consideration to any person based on the provision of a diversity, equity, and inclusion statement.

[X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(D), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, give preference on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin to an applicant for employment, an employee, or a participant in any function of the institution.

[X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(E), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, require any person, as a condition of enrolling at the institution or performing any institution function, to participate in diversity, equity, and inclusion training, which includes a training, program, or activity designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, unless the training meets the exception in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(E)(ii).

[X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(2), that this institution has adopted policies and procedures for appropriately disciplining, including by termination, an employee or contractor of the institution who engages in conduct in violation of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A)-(E).

[X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(e), that no state appropriations to this institution for [*insert fiscal year*] have been spent prior to submission of this certification report to the Legislature and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

[X] I understand the State Auditor's Office will conduct a compliance audit for this institution and if violations of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 are found, this institution must cure the violation within 180 days or become ineligible to receive formula funding increases, institutional enhancements, or exceptional items during the state fiscal biennium immediately following the state fiscal biennium in which the determination is made.

[X] I understand all complaints regarding any violations made by this institution will be sent to the State Auditor's Office for review.

To ensure full compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525, in the past fiscal year [*insert institution name here*] has conducted the following:

- Conducted a review of all programs and activities, offices, personnel, and training sessions for potential violations of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 and discontinued those found to be in violation.
- Updated *The Texas A&M University System Policy 08.01 Civil Rights Protection and Compliance* to reflect additions to Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 which was adopted by the Board of Regents in August 2023.
- Developed and implemented operating procedures in line with the updated System policy and The Texas A&M University System D.E.I. Compliance Operational Manual to facilitate on-going compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525. See attached compliance checklist as supporting documentation.
- Participated in an audit review by The Texas A&M University System Department of Internal Audit with the objective of evaluating actions taken by the institution to ensure compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525.

Failure to return a certification form to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board by September 1, 2024, will be considered an act of non-compliance with the law and can subject the above referenced institution to all penalties allowed by law.

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| Signature of Institution President/CEO | Date / /   |

Signature of Board Chair

Date

Date Submitted to the THECB

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## DEI Law Certification of Compliance

#### CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

| Member Institution/Agency: | Texas A&M University - Texarkana |
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| Chief Executive Officer:   | Ross Alexander                   |

I certify, under penalty of perjury and the loss of funding to Texas A&M University - Texarkana, that Texas A&M University - Texarkana has complied with the requirements in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525:

[ $\mathcal{M}$ ] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, have any office, division or unit with the established purpose of:

- influencing hiring or employment practices at the institution with respect to race, sex, color, or ethnicity, other than through the use of color-blind and sex-neutral hiring processes in accordance with any applicable state and federal antidiscrimination laws;
- promoting differential treatment of or providing special benefits to individuals on the basis of race, color, or ethnicity;
- promoting policies or procedures designed or implemented in reference to race, color, or ethnicity, other than policies or procedures approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law; or
- conducting trainings, programs, or activities designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, other than trainings, programs, or activities developed by an attorney and approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law.

[ $\ell l$ ] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(B), this institution has not, except as required by federal law, hired or assigned an employee of the institution, or contracted with a third party to perform the duties of a diversity, equity, and inclusion office as defined in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(a).

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[4] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(C), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, compel, require, induce, or solicit any person to provide a diversity, equity, and inclusion statement or give preferential consideration to any person based on the provision of a diversity, equity, and inclusion statement.

[ $\mathcal{M}$ ] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(D), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, give preference on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin to an applicant for employment, an employee, or a participant in any function of the institution.

I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(E), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, require any person, as a condition of enrolling at the institution or performing any institution function, to participate in diversity, equity, and inclusion training, which includes a training, program, or activity designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, unless the training meets the exception in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(E)(ii).

I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(2), that this institution has adopted policies and procedures for appropriately disciplining, including by termination, an employee or contractor of the institution who engages in conduct in violation of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A)-(E).

I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(e), that no state appropriations to this institution for Fiscal Year 2024 have been spent prior to submission of this certification report to the Legislature and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

 $\begin{bmatrix} \mu \\ \mu \end{bmatrix}$  ] I understand the State Auditor's Office will conduct a compliance audit for this institution and if violations of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 are found, this institution must cure the violation within 180 days or become ineligible to receive formula funding increases, institutional enhancements, or exceptional items during the state fiscal biennium immediately following the state fiscal biennium in which the determination is made.

fl ] I understand all complaints regarding any violations made by this institution will be sent to the State Auditor's Office for review.

To ensure full compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525, in the past fiscal year Texas A&M University - Texarkana has conducted the following:

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- Conducted a review of all programs and activities, offices, personnel, and training sessions for potential violations of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 and discontinued those found to be in violation.
- Updated *The Texas A&M University System Policy 08.01 Civil Rights Protection and Compliance* to reflect additions to Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 which was adopted by the Board of Regents in August 2023.
- Developed and implemented operating procedures in line with the updated System policy and The Texas A&M University System D.E.I. Compliance Operational Manual to facilitate on-going compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525. See attached compliance checklist as supporting documentation.
- Participated in an audit review by The Texas A&M University System Department of Internal Audit with the objective of evaluating actions taken by the institution to ensure compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525.

Failure to return a certification form to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board by September 1, 2024, will be considered an act of non-compliance with the law and can subject the above referenced institution to all penalties allowed by law.

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| Signature of Mistitution President/CEO | Date                              |
|                                        |                                   |
| Signature of Board Chair               | Date                              |
|                                        |                                   |
| Date Submitted to the THECB            | Date Submitted to the Legislature |



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# DEI Law Certification of Compliance

## CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Member Institution/Agency: Chief Executive Officer: West Texas A&M University President Walter V. Wendler

I certify, under penalty of perjury and the loss of funding to West Texas A&M University, that West Texas A&M University has complied with the requirements in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525:

[ $\sqrt{1}$  certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, have any office, division or unit with the established purpose of:

- influencing hiring or employment practices at the institution with respect to race, sex, color, or ethnicity, other than through the use of color-blind and sex-neutral hiring processes in accordance with any applicable state and federal antidiscrimination laws;
- promoting differential treatment of or providing special benefits to individuals on the basis of race, color, or ethnicity;
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- conducting trainings, programs, or activities designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, other than trainings, programs, or activities developed by an attorney and approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law.

[ I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(B), this institution has not, except as required by federal law, hired or assigned an employee of the institution, or contracted with a third party to perform the duties of a diversity, equity, and inclusion office as defined in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(a).

[ I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(C), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, compel, require, induce, or solicit any person to provide a diversity, equity, and

inclusion statement or give preferential consideration to any person based on the provision of a diversity, equity, and inclusion statement.

I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(D), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, give preference on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin to an applicant for employment, an employee, or a participant in any function of the institution.

[1 certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(E), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, require any person, as a condition of enrolling at the institution or performing any institution function, to participate in diversity, equity, and inclusion training, which includes a training, program, or activity designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, unless the training meets the exception in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(E)(ii).

[V1 certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(2), that this institution has adopted policies and procedures for appropriately disciplining, including by termination, an employee or contractor of the institution who engages in conduct in violation of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A)-(E).

[ certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(e), that no state appropriations to this institution for 2024 have been spent prior to submission of this certification report to the Legislature and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

[V] I understand the State Auditor's Office will conduct a compliance audit for this institution and if violations of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 are found, this institution must cure the violation within 180 days or become ineligible to receive formula funding increases, institutional enhancements, or exceptional items during the state fiscal biennium immediately following the state fiscal biennium in which the determination is made.

[ I understand all complaints regarding any violations made by this institution will be sent to the State Auditor's Office for review.

To ensure full compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525, in the past fiscal year West Texas A&M University has conducted the following:

- Conducted a review of all programs and activities, offices, personnel, and training sessions for potential violations of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 and discontinued those found to be in violation.
- Updated *The Texas A&M University System Policy 08.01 Civil Rights Protection and Compliance* to reflect additions to Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 which was adopted by the Board of Regents in August 2023.
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• Participated in an audit review by The Texas A&M University System Department of Internal Audit with the objective of evaluating actions taken by the institution to ensure compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525.

Failure to return a certification form to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board by September 1, 2024, will be considered an act of non-compliance with the law and can subject the above referenced institution to all penalties allowed by law.

| Signature of Institution President/CEO | 5.28.24<br>Date |
|----------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Signature of Board Chair               | Date            |
|                                        |                 |

Date Submitted to the THECB

Date Submitted to the Legislature



## DEI Law Certification of Compliance

#### CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

| Member Institution/Agency: | Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Services |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Chief Executive Officer:   | Rick Avery, PhD                       |

I certify, under penalty of perjury and the loss of funding to Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Services, that Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Services has complied with the requirements in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525:

I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, have any office, division or unit with the established purpose of:

- influencing hiring or employment practices at the institution with respect to race, sex, color, or ethnicity, other than through the use of color-blind and sex-neutral hiring processes in accordance with any applicable state and federal antidiscrimination laws;
- promoting differential treatment of or providing special benefits to individuals on the basis of race, color, or ethnicity;
- promoting policies or procedures designed or implemented in reference to race, color, or ethnicity, other than policies or procedures approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law; or
- conducting trainings, programs, or activities designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, other than trainings, programs, or activities developed by an attorney and approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law.

I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(B), this institution has not, except as required by federal law, hired or assigned an employee of the institution, or contracted with a third party to perform the duties of a diversity, equity, and inclusion office as defined in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(a).

I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(C), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, compel, require, induce, or solicit any person to provide a diversity, equity, and

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The members of Texas A&M AgriLife will provide equal opportunities in programs and activities, education, and employment to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation or gender identity and will strive to achieve full and equal employment opportunity throughout Texas A&M AgriLife. The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating

inclusion statement or give preferential consideration to any person based on the provision of a diversity, equity, and inclusion statement.

I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(D), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, give preference on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin to an applicant for employment, an employee, or a participant in any function of the institution.

I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(E), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, require any person, as a condition of enrolling at the institution or performing any institution function, to participate in diversity, equity, and inclusion training, which includes a training, program, or activity designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, unless the training meets the exception in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(E)(ii).

I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(2), that this institution has adopted policies and procedures for appropriately disciplining, including by termination, an employee or contractor of the institution who engages in conduct in violation of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A)-(E).

I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(e), that no state appropriations to this institution for fiscal year 2023-24 have been spent prior to submission of this certification report to the Legislature and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

I understand the State Auditor's Office will conduct a compliance audit for this institution and if violations of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 are found, this institution must cure the violation within 180 days or become ineligible to receive formula funding increases, institutional enhancements, or exceptional items during the state fiscal biennium immediately following the state fiscal biennium in which the determination is made.

I understand all complaints regarding any violations made by this institution will be sent to the State Auditor's Office for review.

To ensure full compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525, in the past fiscal year Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Services has conducted the following:

- Conducted a review of all programs and activities, offices, personnel, and training sessions for potential violations of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 and discontinued those found to be in violation.
- Updated *The Texas A&M University System Policy 08.01 Civil Rights Protection and Compliance* to reflect additions to Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 which was adopted by the Board of Regents in August 2023.
- Developed and implemented operating procedures in line with the updated System policy and The Texas A&M University System D.E.I. Compliance Operational Manual to facilitate on-going compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525. See attached compliance checklist as supporting documentation.

• Participated in an audit review by The Texas A&M University System Department of Internal Audit with the objective of evaluating actions taken by the institution to ensure compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525.

Failure to return a certification form to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board by September 1, 2024, will be considered an act of non-compliance with the law and can subject the above referenced institution to all penalties allowed by law.

|                                        | Jun 3, 2024                       |
|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Signature of Institution President/CEO | Date                              |
| Signature of Board Chair               | Date                              |
| Date Submitted to the THECB            | Date Submitted to the Legislature |

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#### **Final Audit Report**

2024-06-03

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### DEI Law Certification of Compliance

#### CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

| Member Institution/Agency: | Texas A&M AgriLife Research |  |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Chief Executive Officer:   | Cliff Lamb, PhD             |  |

I certify, under penalty of perjury and the loss of funding to Texas A&M AgriLife Research, that Texas A&M AgriLife Research has complied with the requirements in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525:

I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, have any office, division or unit with the established purpose of:

- influencing hiring or employment practices at the institution with respect to race, sex, color, or ethnicity, other than through the use of color-blind and sex-neutral hiring processes in accordance with any applicable state and federal antidiscrimination laws;
- promoting differential treatment of or providing special benefits to individuals on the basis of race, color, or ethnicity;
- promoting policies or procedures designed or implemented in reference to race, color, or ethnicity, other than policies or procedures approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law; or
- conducting trainings, programs, or activities designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, other than trainings, programs, or activities developed by an attorney and approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law.

I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(B), this institution has not, except as required by federal law, hired or assigned an employee of the institution, or contracted with a third party to perform the duties of a diversity, equity, and inclusion office as defined in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(a).

I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(C), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, compel, require, induce, or solicit any person to provide a diversity, equity, and

Texas A&M AgriLife Research 600 John Kimbrough Blvd., Ste. 512 | 2142 TAMU | College Station, TX 77843-2142 inclusion statement or give preferential consideration to any person based on the provision of a diversity, equity, and inclusion statement.

I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(D), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, give preference on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin to an applicant for employment, an employee, or a participant in any function of the institution.

I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(E), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, require any person, as a condition of enrolling at the institution or performing any institution function, to participate in diversity, equity, and inclusion training, which includes a training, program, or activity designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, unless the training meets the exception in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(E)(ii).

I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(2), that this institution has adopted policies and procedures for appropriately disciplining, including by termination, an employee or contractor of the institution who engages in conduct in violation of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A)-(E).

I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(e), that no state appropriations to this institution for fiscal year 2023-24 have been spent prior to submission of this certification report to the Legislature and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

I understand the State Auditor's Office will conduct a compliance audit for this institution and if violations of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 are found, this institution must cure the violation within 180 days or become ineligible to receive formula funding increases, institutional enhancements, or exceptional items during the state fiscal biennium immediately following the state fiscal biennium in which the determination is made.

I understand all complaints regarding any violations made by this institution will be sent to the State Auditor's Office for review.

To ensure full compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525, in the past fiscal year Texas A&M AgriLife Research has conducted the following:

- Conducted a review of all programs and activities, offices, personnel, and training sessions for potential violations of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 and discontinued those found to be in violation.
- Updated *The Texas A&M University System Policy 08.01 Civil Rights Protection and Compliance* to reflect additions to Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 which was adopted by the Board of Regents in August 2023.
- Developed and implemented operating procedures in line with the updated System policy and The Texas A&M University System D.E.I. Compliance Operational Manual to facilitate on-going compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525. See attached compliance checklist as supporting documentation.
- Participated in an audit review by The Texas A&M University System Department of Internal Audit with the objective of evaluating actions taken by the institution to ensure compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525.

Failure to return a certification form to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board by September 1, 2024, will be considered an act of non-compliance with the law and can subject the above referenced institution to all penalties allowed by law.

|                                        | May 31, 2024                      |
|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Signature of Institution President/CEO | Date                              |
| Signature of Board Chair               | Date                              |
| Date Submitted to the THECB            | Date Submitted to the Legislature |

#### Signature:

Email: researchdirector@ag.tamu.edu



# DEI Law Certification of Compliance

## CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

| Member Institution/Agency: | Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station (TEES) |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Chief Executive Officer:   | Robert H. Bishop                                |

I certify, under penalty of perjury and the loss of funding to *Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station (TEES)*, that TEES has complied with the requirements in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525:

[] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, have any office, division or unit with the established purpose of:

- influencing hiring or employment practices at the institution with respect to race, sex, color, or ethnicity, other than through the use of color-blind and sex-neutral hiring processes in accordance with any applicable state and federal antidiscrimination laws;
- promoting differential treatment of or providing special benefits to individuals on the basis of race, color, or ethnicity;
- promoting policies or procedures designed or implemented in reference to race, color, or ethnicity, other than policies or procedures approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law; or
- conducting trainings, programs, or activities designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, other than trainings, programs, or activities developed by an attorney and approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law.

[] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(B), this institution has not, except as required by federal law, hired or assigned an employee of the institution, or contracted with a third party to perform the duties of a diversity, equity, and inclusion office as defined in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(a).

[] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(C), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, compel, require, induce, or solicit any person to provide a diversity, equity, and inclusion statement or give preferential consideration to any person based on the provision of a diversity, equity, and inclusion statement.

[] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(D), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, give preference on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin to an applicant for employment, an employee, or a participant in any function of the institution.

[] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(E), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, require any person, as a condition of enrolling at the institution or performing any institution function, to participate in diversity, equity, and inclusion training, which includes a training, program, or activity designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, unless the training meets the exception in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(E)(ii).

[] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(2), that this institution has adopted policies and procedures for appropriately disciplining, including by termination, an employee or contractor of the institution who engages in conduct in violation of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A)-(E).

[] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(e), that no state appropriations to this institution for 2024 have been spent prior to submission of this certification report to the Legislature and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

[] I understand the State Auditor's Office will conduct a compliance audit for this institution and if violations of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 are found, this institution must cure the violation within 180 days or become ineligible to receive formula funding increases, institutional enhancements, or exceptional items during the state fiscal biennium immediately following the state fiscal biennium in which the determination is made.

[] I understand all complaints regarding any violations made by this institution will be sent to the State Auditor's Office for review.

To ensure full compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525, in the past fiscal year TEES has conducted the following:

- Conducted a review of all programs and activities, offices, personnel, and training sessions for potential violations of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 and discontinued those found to be in violation.
- Updated *The Texas A&M University System Policy 08.01 Civil Rights Protection and Compliance* to reflect additions to Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 which was adopted by the Board of Regents in August 2023.
- Developed and implemented operating procedures in line with the updated System policy and The Texas A&M University System D.E.I. Compliance Operational Manual to facilitate on-going compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525. See attached compliance checklist as supporting documentation.
- Participated in an audit review by The Texas A&M University System Department of Internal Audit with the objective of evaluating actions taken by the institution to ensure compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525.

Failure to return a certification form to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board by September 1, 2024, will be considered an act of non-compliance with the law and can subject the above referenced institution to all penalties allowed by law.

|                                        | 5/28/24                           |
|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Signature of Institution President/CEO | Date                              |
| Signature of Board Chair               | Date                              |
| Date Submitted to the THECB            | Date Submitted to the Legislature |



# DEI Law Certification of Compliance

## CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

| Member Institution/Agency: | Texas A&M Forest Service |  |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Chief Executive Officer:   | Al Davis                 |  |

I certify, under penalty of perjury and the loss of funding to Texas A&M Forest Service, that Texas A&M Forest Service has complied with the requirements in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525:

certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, have any office, division or unit with the established purpose of:

- influencing hiring or employment practices at the institution with respect to race, sex, color, or ethnicity, other than through the use of color-blind and sex-neutral hiring processes in accordance with any applicable state and federal antidiscrimination laws;
- promoting differential treatment of or providing special benefits to individuals on the basis of race, color, or ethnicity;
- promoting policies or procedures designed or implemented in reference to race, color, or ethnicity, other than policies or procedures approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law; or
- conducting trainings, programs, or activities designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, other than trainings, programs, or activities developed by an attorney and approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law.

a certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(B), this institution has not, except as required by federal law, hired or assigned an employee of the institution, or contracted with a third party to perform the duties of a diversity, equity, and inclusion office as defined in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(a). certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(C), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, compel, require, induce, or solicit any person to provide a diversity, equity, and inclusion statement or give preferential consideration to any person based on the provision of a diversity, equity, and inclusion statement.

certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(D), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, give preference on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin to an applicant for employment, an employee, or a participant in any function of the institution.

A certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(E), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, require any person, as a condition of enrolling at the institution or performing any institution function, to participate in diversity, equity, and inclusion training, which includes a training, program, or activity designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, unless the training meets the exception in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(E)(ii).

A certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(2), that this institution has adopted policies and procedures for appropriately disciplining, including by termination, an employee or contractor of the institution who engages in conduct in violation of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A)-(E).

I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(e), that no state appropriations to this institution for [*insert fiscal year*] have been spent prior to submission of this certification report to the Legislature and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

if violations of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 are found, this institution must cure the violation within 180 days or become ineligible to receive formula funding increases, institutional enhancements, or exceptional items during the state fiscal biennium immediately following the state fiscal biennium in which the determination is made.

I understand all complaints regarding any violations made by this institution will be sent to the State Auditor's Office for review.

To ensure full compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525, in the past fiscal year Texas A&M Forest Service has conducted the following:

- Conducted a review of all programs and activities, offices, personnel, and training sessions for potential violations of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 and discontinued those found to be in violation.
- . Updated The Texas A&M University System Policy 08.01 Civil Rights Protection and Compliance to reflect additions to Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 which was adopted by the Board of Regents in August 2023.
- Developed and implemented operating procedures in line with the updated System policy and The Texas A&M University System D.E.I. Compliance Operational Manual to facilitate on-going compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525. See attached compliance checklist as supporting documentation.
- Participated in an audit review by The Texas A&M University System Department of Internal Audit with the objective of evaluating actions taken by the institution to ensure compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525.

Failure to return a certification form to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board by September 1, 2024, will be considered an act of non-compliance with the law and can subject the above referenced institution to all penalties allowed by law.

Signature of Institution President/CEO

5/31/2024 Date

Signature of Board Chair

Date

Date Submitted to the THECB

Date Submitted to the Legislature

ITEM EXHBITT

Texas A&M Transportation Institute 3135 TAMU College Station, TX 77843-3135

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### Texas A&M Transportation Institute

# DEI Law Certification of Compliance

#### CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

| Member Institution/Agency: | Texas A&M Transportation Institute |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Chief Executive Officer:   | Greg Winfree                       |

I certify, under penalty of perjury and the loss of funding to [*insert institution name here*], that [*insert institution name here*] has complied with the requirements in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525:

[X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code 51.3525(b)(1)(A), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, have any office, division or unit with the established purpose of:

- influencing hiring or employment practices at the institution with respect to race, sex, color, or ethnicity, other than through the use of color-blind and sex-neutral hiring processes in accordance with any applicable state and federal antidiscrimination laws;
- promoting differential treatment of or providing special benefits to individuals on the basis of race, color, or ethnicity;
- promoting policies or procedures designed or implemented in reference to race, color, or ethnicity, other than policies or procedures approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law; or
- conducting trainings, programs, or activities designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, other than trainings, programs, or activities developed by an attorney and approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law.

[X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(B), this institution has not, except as required by federal law, hired or assigned an employee of the institution, or contracted with a third party to perform the duties of a diversity, equity, and inclusion office as defined in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(a).

[X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code 51.3525(b)(1)(C), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, compel, require, induce, or solicit any person to provide a diversity, equity, and inclusion statement or give preferential consideration to any person based on the provision of a diversity, equity, and inclusion statement.



**TTI** Office of the Director

[X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(D), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, give preference on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin to an applicant for employment, an employee, or a participant in any function of the institution.

[X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(E), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, require any person, as a condition of enrolling at the institution or performing any institution function, to participate in diversity, equity, and inclusion training, which includes a training, program, or activity designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, unless the training meets the exception in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(E)(ii).

[X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(2), that this institution has adopted policies and procedures for appropriately disciplining, including by termination, an employee or contractor of the institution who engages in conduct in violation of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A)-(E).

[X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(e), that no state appropriations to this institution for [*FY* 2024] have been spent prior to submission of this certification report to the Legislature and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

[X] I understand the State Auditor's Office will conduct a compliance audit for this institution and if violations of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 are found, this institution must cure the violation within 180 days or become ineligible to receive formula funding increases, institutional enhancements, or exceptional items during the state fiscal biennium immediately following the state fiscal biennium in which the determination is made.

[X] I understand all complaints regarding any violations made by this institution will be sent to the State Auditor's Office for review.

To ensure full compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525, in the past fiscal year, Texas A&M Transportation Institute has conducted the following:

- Conducted a review of all programs and activities, offices, personnel, and training sessions for potential violations of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 and discontinued those found to be in violation.
- Updated *The Texas A&M University System Policy 08.01 Civil Rights Protection and Compliance* to reflect additions to Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 which was adopted by the Board of Regents in August 2023.
- Developed and implemented operating procedures in line with the updated System policy and The Texas A&M University System D.E.I. Compliance Operational Manual to facilitate on-going compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525. See attached compliance checklist as supporting documentation.
- Participated in an audit review by The Texas A&M University System Department of Internal Audit with the objective of evaluating actions taken by the institution to ensure compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525.

Failure to return a certification form to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board by September 1, 2024, will be considered an act of non-compliance with the law and can subject the above referenced institution to all penalties allowed by law.

|                                        | 6/5/2024                          |
|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Signature of Institution President/CEO | Date                              |
| Signature of Board Chair               | Date                              |
| Date Submitted to the THECB            | Date Submitted to the Legislature |

COLLEGE STATION LABORATORY



## DEI Law Certification of Compliance

#### CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

| Member Institution/Agency: | Texas A&M Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory |  |  |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--|--|
| Chief Executive Officer:   | Amy Swinford, PhD                                  |  |  |

I certify, under penalty of perjury and the loss of funding to Texas A&M Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory, that Texas A&M Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory has complied with the requirements in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525:

I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, have any office, division or unit with the established purpose of:

- influencing hiring or employment practices at the institution with respect to race, sex, color, or ethnicity, other than through the use of color-blind and sex-neutral hiring processes in accordance with any applicable state and federal antidiscrimination laws;
- promoting differential treatment of or providing special benefits to individuals on the basis of race, color, or ethnicity;
- promoting policies or procedures designed or implemented in reference to race, color, or ethnicity, other than policies or procedures approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law; or
- conducting trainings, programs, or activities designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, other than trainings, programs, or activities developed by an attorney and approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law.

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I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(B), this institution has not, except as required by federal law, hired or assigned an employee of the institution, or contracted with a third party to perform the duties of a diversity, equity, and inclusion office as defined in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(a).

✓ I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(C), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, compel, require, induce, or solicit any person to provide a diversity, equity, and inclusion statement or give preferential consideration to any person based on the provision of a diversity, equity, and inclusion statement.

I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(D), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, give preference on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin to an applicant for employment, an employee, or a participant in any function of the institution.

✓ I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(E), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, require any person, as a condition of enrolling at the institution or performing any institution function, to participate in diversity, equity, and inclusion training, which includes a training, program, or activity designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, unless the training meets the exception in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(E)(ii).

✓ I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(2), that this institution has adopted policies and procedures for appropriately disciplining, including by termination, an employee or contractor of the institution who engages in conduct in violation of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A)-(E).

✓ I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(e), that no state appropriations to this institution for fiscal year 2023-24 have been spent prior to submission of this certification report to the Legislature and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

✓ I understand the State Auditor's Office will conduct a compliance audit for this institution and if violations of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 are found, this institution must cure the violation within 180 days or become ineligible to receive formula funding increases, institutional enhancements, or exceptional items during the state fiscal biennium immediately following the state fiscal biennium in which the determination is made.

I understand all complaints regarding any violations made by this institution will be sent to the State Auditor's Office for review.

To ensure full compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525, in the past fiscal year Texas A&M Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory has conducted the following:

 Conducted a review of all programs and activities, offices, personnel, and training sessions for potential violations of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 and discontinued those found to be in violation.

- Updated The Texas A&M University System Policy 08.01 Civil Rights Protection and Compliance to reflect additions to Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 which was adopted by the Board of Regents in August 2023.
- Developed and implemented operating procedures in line with the updated System policy and The Texas A&M University System D.E.I. Compliance Operational Manual to facilitate ongoing compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525. See attached compliance checklist as supporting documentation.
- Participated in an audit review by The Texas A&M University System Department of Internal Audit with the objective of evaluating actions taken by the institution to ensure compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525.

Failure to return a certification form to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board by September 1, 2024, will be considered an act of non-compliance with the law and can subject the above referenced institution to all penalties allowed by law.

| Signature of Institution President/CEO |                                   |  |  |
|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|--|
| Signature of Board Chair               | Date                              |  |  |
| Date Submitted to the THECB            | Date Submitted to the Legislature |  |  |



# DEI Law Certification of Compliance

# CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Member Institution/Agency:

Texas Division of Emergency Management

Chief Executive Officer:

Nim Kidd

I certify, under penalty of perjury and the loss of funding to [*insert institution name here*], that [*insert institution name here*] has complied with the requirements in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525:

[X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, have any office, division or unit with the established purpose of:

- influencing hiring or employment practices at the institution with respect to race, sex, color, or ethnicity, other than through the use of color-blind and sex-neutral hiring processes in accordance with any applicable state and federal antidiscrimination laws;
- promoting differential treatment of or providing special benefits to individuals on the basis of race, color, or ethnicity;
- promoting policies or procedures designed or implemented in reference to race, color, or ethnicity, other than policies or procedures approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law; or
- conducting trainings, programs, or activities designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, other than trainings, programs, or activities developed by an attorney and approved in writing by this institution's general counsel and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for the sole purpose of ensuring compliance with any applicable court order or state or federal law.

[X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(B), this institution has not, except as required by federal law, hired or assigned an employee of the institution, or contracted with a third party to perform the duties of a diversity, equity, and inclusion office as defined in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(a).

2883 Highway 71 E PO Box 285 Del Valle, TX 78617-9998 Page 1 of 3 [X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(C), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, compel, require, induce, or solicit any person to provide a diversity, equity, and inclusion statement or give preferential consideration to any person based on the provision of a diversity, equity, and inclusion statement.

[X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(D), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, give preference on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin to an applicant for employment, an employee, or a participant in any function of the institution.

[X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(E), this institution does not, except as required by federal law, require any person, as a condition of enrolling at the institution or performing any institution function, to participate in diversity, equity, and inclusion training, which includes a training, program, or activity designed or implemented in reference to race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation, unless the training meets the exception in Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(E)(ii).

[X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(2), that this institution has adopted policies and procedures for appropriately disciplining, including by termination, an employee or contractor of the institution who engages in conduct in violation of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(b)(1)(A)-(E).

[X] I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525(e), that no state appropriations to this institution for [*insert fiscal year*] have been spent prior to submission of this certification report to the Legislature and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

[X] I understand the State Auditor's Office will conduct a compliance audit for this institution and if violations of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 are found, this institution must cure the violation within 180 days or become ineligible to receive formula funding increases, institutional enhancements, or exceptional items during the state fiscal biennium immediately following the state fiscal biennium in which the determination is made.

[X] I understand all complaints regarding any violations made by this institution will be sent to the State Auditor's Office for review.

To ensure full compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525, in the past fiscal year [insert institution name here] has conducted the following:

• Conducted a review of all programs and activities, offices, personnel, and training sessions for potential violations of Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 and discontinued those found to be in violation.

- Updated *The Texas A&M University System Policy 08.01 Civil Rights Protection and Compliance* to reflect additions to Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525 which was adopted by the Board of Regents in August 2023.
- Developed and implemented operating procedures in line with the updated System policy and The Texas A&M University System D.E.I. Compliance Operational Manual to facilitate on-going compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525. See attached compliance checklist as supporting documentation.
- Participated in an audit review by The Texas A&M University System Department of Internal Audit with the objective of evaluating actions taken by the institution to ensure compliance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.3525.

Failure to return a certification form to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board by September 1, 2024, will be considered an act of non-compliance with the law and can subject the above referenced institution to all penalties allowed by law.

| Signature of Institution President/CEO | <u>G / 13/24</u><br>Date          |
|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Signature of Board Chair               | Date                              |
| Date Submitted to the THECB            | Date Submitted to the Legislature |

# MO 171-2024 (Item 6.2) EXHIBIT

#### THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM **CONFIRMATION OF EMERITUS TITLES EMERITUS TITLE LIST NO. 24-04**

| System Member<br>Honoree | Years<br>of<br>Service | Current Rank               | Title Conferred                                                                         | Effective Date                                                |
|--------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| TEXAS A&M UNIVER         | SITY                   |                            |                                                                                         |                                                               |
| Dr. Nathan Bracher       | 38                     | Professor                  | Professor Emeritus<br>of Global<br>Languages &<br>Cultures                              | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and the<br>Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. Lawrence S. Brown    | 35                     | Instructional<br>Professor | Instructional<br>Professor Emeritus<br>of Chemistry                                     | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and the<br>Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. Terry S. Creasy      | 22                     | Associate<br>Professor     | Associate Professor<br>Emeritus of<br>Materials Science<br>& Engineering                | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and the<br>Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. Stephen H. Daniel    | 40                     | Professor                  | Professor Emeritus of Philosophy                                                        | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and the<br>Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. Timothy R. Elliott   | 18                     | Professor                  | University<br>Distinguished<br>Professor***<br>Emeritus of<br>Educational<br>Psychology | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and the<br>Honoree's Retirement |
| *Dr. Nancy Fahrenwald    | 4                      | Dean                       | Dean Emerita of<br>the College of<br>Nursing                                            | Upon Approval by the Board                                    |
| Dr. Edward S. Fry        | 55                     | Distinguished<br>Professor | Distinguished<br>Professor Emeritus<br>of Physics &<br>Astronomy                        | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and the<br>Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. Carl A. Gagliardi    | 41                     | Professor                  | Professor Emeritus<br>of Physics &<br>Astronomy                                         | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and the<br>Honoree's Retirement |

| System Member<br>Honoree        | Years<br>of | Cumura Devi                                                              | Tido Conforma l                                                                  | Defending Defe                                                |
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|                                 | Service     | Current Rank                                                             | Title Conferred                                                                  | Effective Date                                                |
| Dr. Patricia Goodson            | 25          | Professor                                                                | Professor Emerita<br>of Health Behavior                                          | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and the<br>Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. Michael Hand                | 33          | Professor                                                                | Professor Emeritus of Philosophy                                                 | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and the<br>Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. Joyce E. Juntune            | 27          | Instructional<br>Professor                                               | Instructional<br>Professor Emerita<br>of Educational<br>Psychology               | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and the<br>Honoree's Retirement |
| **Dr. Ann L. Kenimer            | 31          | Senior<br>Professor                                                      | Professor Emerita<br>of Biological &<br>Agricultural<br>Engineering              | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and the<br>Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. Douglas J. Klein            | 44          | Regents<br>Professor                                                     | Regents Professor<br>Emeritus of<br>Foundational<br>Sciences                     | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and the<br>Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. William Merrell             | 43          | Regents<br>Professor                                                     | Regents Professor<br>Emeritus of Marine<br>& Coastal<br>Environmental<br>Science | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and the<br>Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. Henry L. "Sonny"<br>Presnal | 24          | Director of the<br>Stevenson<br>Companion<br>Animal Life-<br>Care Center | Director Emeritus<br>of the Stevenson<br>Companion Animal<br>Life-Care Center    | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and the<br>Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. David W. Reed               | 44          | Senior<br>Professor                                                      | Professor Emeritus<br>of Horticultural<br>Sciences                               | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and the<br>Honoree's Retirement |

| System Member<br>Honoree    | Years<br>of<br>Service | Current Rank         | Title Conferred                                                                                                                                 | Effective Date                                                |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| Dr. Peter H. Santschi       | 36                     | Regents<br>Professor | Regents Professor<br>Emeritus and<br>University<br>Distinguished<br>Professor***<br>Emeritus of Marine<br>& Coastal<br>Environmental<br>Science | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and the<br>Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. Nicholas B.<br>Suntzeff | 18                     | Regents<br>Professor | Regents Professor<br>Emeritus and<br>University<br>Distinguished<br>Professor***<br>Emeritus of Physics<br>& Astronomy                          | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and the<br>Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. Vernon L. Tesh          | 32                     | Professor            | Professor Emeritus<br>of Microbial<br>Pathogenesis &<br>Immunology                                                                              | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and the<br>Honoree's Retirement |

\* Dr. Nancy Fahrenwald served as Dean of the College of Nursing for a period of four years from June 2018 through August 2022. Dr. Fahrenwald returned to the faculty and started her campus-wide new role as Associate Vice President for University Health Services in August 2022.

\*\* Dr. Ann Kenimer received Associate Provost for Undergraduate Studies Emerita at the May 2024 board meeting.

\*\*\* The University Distinguished Professor program began in 2011 and is currently the highest achievement a Texas A&M University faculty member can earn. This honorary title is bestowed in perpetuity, as long as the faculty member remains in good standing. University Distinguished Professors are preeminent authorities in their academic disciplines and their accomplishments are exemplified by outstanding teaching, research, mentoring, and service. From 1984 through 2011, the university promoted select and outstanding faculty members to the rank of Distinguished Professor. The two titles are not interchangeable but represent different programs to honor faculty for their sustained positive impact on campus, their academic specialties and the world.

| System Member            | Years of            | Current                                                                    |                                                                                                        |                                                               |
|--------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| Honoree                  | Service             | Rank                                                                       | Title Conferred                                                                                        | Effective Date                                                |
| TEXAS A&M UNIVER         | SITY-COR            | PUS CHRISTI                                                                |                                                                                                        |                                                               |
| Dr. David M.<br>Billeaux | 27                  | Professor                                                                  | Professor Emeritus<br>of Political Science                                                             | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and the<br>Honoree's Retirement |
| System Member<br>Honoree | Years of<br>Service | Current<br>Rank                                                            | Title Conferred                                                                                        | Effective Date                                                |
| TEXAS A&M UNIVER         | SITY-KIN            | GSVILLE                                                                    |                                                                                                        |                                                               |
| Dr. Leonard Brennan      | 22                  | Professor                                                                  | Professor Emeritus<br>of Rangeland and<br>Wildlife Sciences                                            | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and the<br>Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. Manuel Flores        | 17                  | Professor                                                                  | Professor Emeritus<br>of Art,<br>Communication &<br>Theatre                                            | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and the<br>Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. Jaya Goswami         | 22                  | Professor and<br>Associate<br>Vice<br>President for<br>Academic<br>Affairs | Professor and<br>Associate Vice<br>President for<br>Academic Affairs<br>Emerita of<br>Academic Affairs | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and the<br>Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. Nirmal Goswami       | 33                  | Regent<br>Professor                                                        | Regent Professor<br>Emeritus of<br>History, Political<br>Science &<br>Philosophy                       | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and the<br>Honoree's Retirement |
| Mr. Randy Hughes         | 41                  | Assistant<br>Professor and<br>Chief of Staff                               | Assistant Professor<br>and Chief of Staff<br>Emeritus of the<br>Office of the<br>President             | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and the<br>Honoree's Retirement |

| System Member<br>Honoree | Years of<br>Service | Current<br>Rank     | Title Conferred                                                                          | Effective Date                                                |
|--------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| Dr. Kathleen Rees        | 18                  | Regent<br>Professor | Regent Professor<br>Emerita of<br>Management,<br>Marketing and<br>Information<br>Systems | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and the<br>Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. Susan Roberson       | 18                  | Professor           | Professor Emerita<br>of Language and<br>Literature                                       | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and the<br>Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. David Wester         | 12                  | Professor           | Professor Emeritus<br>of Rangeland and<br>Wildlife Sciences                              | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and the<br>Honoree's Retirement |
| System Member<br>Honoree | Years of<br>Service | Current<br>Rank     | Title Conferred                                                                          | Effective Date                                                |
| WEST TEXAS A&M U         | NIVERSIT            | Y                   |                                                                                          |                                                               |
| Dr. Edward P. Kahler, II | 25                  | Professor           | Professor Emeritus<br>of Music                                                           | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and the<br>Honoree's Retirement |
| Dr. W. David Sissom      | 32                  | Professor           | Regents Professor<br>Emeritus of<br>Biology                                              | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and the<br>Honoree's Retirement |
| System Member<br>Honoree | Years of<br>Service | Current<br>Rank     | Title Conferred                                                                          | Effective Date                                                |

# TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION SERVICE

| Ms. Frances Pontasch | 14 | Extension  | <b>Extension Program</b> | Upon Approval by the |
|----------------------|----|------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
|                      |    | Program    | Specialist Emeritus      | Board and the        |
|                      |    | Specialist |                          | Honoree's Retirement |

# The Texas A&M University System Appointed and Commissioned Peace Officers

| University Officer's Name     | Title           | Hire Date  |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|------------|
| PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY   |                 |            |
| Nguyen, Nhi                   | Peace Officer   | 03/12/2024 |
| TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY     |                 |            |
| Porter, Terry                 | Peace Officer   | 06/04/2024 |
| Viehmann, Michael             | Peace Officer   | 03/19/2024 |
| TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY          |                 |            |
| Herrera, Peyton               | Peace Officer   | 05/31/2024 |
| Potter, Preston               | Peace Officer   | 05/31/2024 |
| TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT GALVE | STON            |            |
| Revilla, Noed                 | Chief of Police | 06/01/2024 |
| TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVIL | LE              |            |
| Salazar, Ramiro               | Peace Officer   | 05/29/2024 |
| Vela, David                   | Peace Officer   | 05/29/2024 |

#### MO 173-2024 (Item 6.3) EXHIBIT

# 34.06 Appointment, Commissioning and Authority of Peace Officers

Revised <u>August 1, 2024</u> (MO – 2024) Next Scheduled Review: August 1, 2029 Click to view <u>Revision History</u>.



## **Policy Summary**

The purpose of this policy is to establish guidelines for the chief executive officers of each member university of The Texas A&M University System (system), the System Offices, and the Texas A&M Forest Service in the hiring and commissioning of peace officers to ensure compliance with the applicable sections of the Texas Education Code and Texas Government Code.

## Policy

#### 1. CAMPUS POLICE OFFICERS

- 1.1 The Texas Education Code provides that the system Board of Regents (board) may employ and commission campus peace officers for the purpose of protecting the safety and welfare of students, employees, and property of the institution in accordance with state law. Any officer so commissioned is vested with all powers, privileges, and immunities of peace officers while the officer is in the officer's primary jurisdiction or outside the officer's primary jurisdiction as provided by the Education Code.
- 1.2 Any officer assigned to duty and commissioned must take and file the oath required of peace officers.
- 1.3 Commissioned campus peace officers employed by the System Offices or any member university will normally confine their duties as peace officers to activities within the boundaries of the property owned, leased or otherwise controlled by the respective system university, or in the case of the System Offices, all system properties, but will also have primary jurisdiction in any county in which the property is located.

#### 2. PEACE OFFICER OF TEXAS A&M FOREST SERVICE

- 2.1 The director of the Texas A&M Forest Service may appoint up to 25 duly certified employees to serve as peace officers under the director's direction in executing the agency's enforcement duties as provided by Section 88.103, Education Code.
- 2.2 The appointments must be approved by the board which will commission the appointees as peace officers for the system. Any officer so commissioned is vested with all the powers, privileges, and immunities of peace officers in the performance of that officer's duties.
- 2.3 Each officer must take the oath required of peace officers.

#### 3. COMMISSIONING AND CERTIFICATION

- 3.1 The chancellor, for the System Offices and the presidents of member universities for their campuses, are authorized to appoint and commission campus police as peace officers in accordance with the requirements of the law, subject to confirmation by the board.
- 3.2 The director of the Texas A&M Forest Service is authorized to appoint and commission employees as peace officers in accordance with the requirements of the law, subject to confirmation by the board.
- 3.3 The executive director to the board is authorized to sign any and all certifications that may be required to attest to board action to the commissioning of peace officers.

## **Related Statutes, Policies, or Requirements**

Tex. Educ. Code § 51.203

Tex. Educ. Code § 88.103

Tex. Gov't Code § 752, Subch. C

#### **Member Rule Requirements**

A rule is not required to supplement this policy.

## **Contact Office**

Law Enforcement and Security (979) 458-6161

## PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY BACKGROUND OF FACULTY RECOMMENDED FOR ACADEMIC TENURE TENURE LIST NO. 24-04

#### MARVIN D. AND JUNE SAMUEL BRAILSFORD COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

|                                                             | Present Rank                                                                          | Yrs. Towards<br>Tenure* |                                                                                                                      | Effective Date                                       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| Name                                                        | <u>Department</u>                                                                     | Univ                    | <u>. Other Inst.</u>                                                                                                 | Tenure                                               |
| Dr. Torina Lewis                                            | Professor and Endowed<br>Professor of STEM<br>Community Engagement<br>Mathematics     | 0                       | 11                                                                                                                   | Upon Approval<br>by the Board and<br>Faculty Arrival |
| Ph.D. (2010)                                                | The University of Mississippi                                                         |                         |                                                                                                                      |                                                      |
| Fa 2013 – Sp 2019<br>Fa 2019 – Sp 2021<br>Fa 2020 – Fa 2023 | Clark Atlanta University<br>Clark Atlanta University<br>American Mathematical Society |                         | Assistant Professor<br>Associate Professor<br>Associate Executive Director for Meetings<br>and Professional Services |                                                      |
| Sp 2024                                                     | Prairie View A&M University                                                           | 1                       | Endowed Profes                                                                                                       | sor                                                  |

Dr. Torina Lewis's research interests are in the mathematical sciences. Over the last 25 years, Dr. Lewis has been a dedicated leader in the military, a teacher, scholar, and administrator in higher education, and an executive at the American Mathematical Society (AMS) – the largest professional society for mathematicians. She has received over \$10 million in external funding. Her research accomplishments present a two-fold body of work: 1. collaborating with mathematicians and students on fundamental problems in the mathematical sciences, and 2. engaging multiple constituents across disciplines through cultivated relationships to find solutions to mission-driven, complex and national problems. Both folds aim to provide opportunities for populations traditionally excluded in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). Dr. Lewis' scholarship has led to a decrease in unsatisfactory grades and withdrawal rates in Calculus I (gateway course for STEM majors), opportunities for research enhancement and the potential creation of a model to redesign the graduate school admission process for mathematics. Her research raised Clark Atlanta University's visibility and helped to increase opportunities for participation in AMS activities for traditionally excluded populations. The findings have been published in journals, books and through doctoral dissertations and widely disseminated at conferences through lectures, talks and workshops. She and a student were selected as visiting research scholars at a Department of Homeland Security Education Site (Arizona State University). Dr. Lewis has taught courses across the mathematics curriculum. She uses differentiated approaches to deliver mathematical content and instill confidence in her students. The reward for her passion and dedication to teaching was three separate teaching awards: 1. National Association of Mathematicians "Clarence F. Stephens/Abdulalim A. Shabazz" Teaching Award, 2. Vulcan Teaching Excellence Award, and 3. Delores Aldridge-McMillan Award for Excellence in Teaching. Her service has been stellar throughout the academy and broader STEM community. She has served on essential committees that undergird the functioning of the university i.e., Academic Council, Curriculum Committee, Joseph J. Dennis Endowed Scholarship Committee, Data Science Initiative Faculty Council, and Course Redesign with Technology Provost Committee. She currently serves as the Vice President for the National Association of Mathematicians. Dr. Lewis was a tenured professor at Clark Atlanta University, Department of Mathematical Sciences, College of Arts and Sciences, before her move to Prairie View A&M University in Spring 2024.

To the best of our knowledge, Dr. Lewis's file does not include any information we believe to be inconsistent with System Policy 12.01, Section 4.3.

|                   | Present Rank               | Yrs. Towards<br>Tenure* |             | Effective Date             |
|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|----------------------------|
| Name              | Department                 | <u>Univ.</u>            | Other Inst. | Tenure                     |
|                   | 1                          |                         | 1           |                            |
| Dr. Aashir Nasim  | Professor                  | 0                       | 22          | Upon Approval              |
|                   | Psychology                 |                         |             | by the Board and           |
|                   |                            |                         |             | Faculty Arrival            |
|                   | 1                          |                         | 1           |                            |
| Ph.D. (2001)      | Howard University          |                         |             |                            |
|                   |                            |                         |             |                            |
| Fa 2001 – Su 2007 | James Madison University   |                         | Assistant   | Professor                  |
| Fa 2007 – Su 2008 | James Madison University   |                         | Associate   | e Professor (Tenured 2007) |
| Fa 2008 – Su 2017 | Virginia Commonwealth Uni  | versity                 | Associate   | e Professor (Tenured 2008) |
| Su 2017 – Sp 2024 | Virginia Commonwealth Uni  | versity                 | Professor   | r í                        |
| Su 2024           | Prairie View A&M Universit | •                       | Professor   | r                          |

Dr. Aashir Nasim's research accomplishments include securing approximately \$20 million in extramural research awards and authoring over 75 peer-reviewed publications. His research has had practical implications, informing the development of youth tobacco use prevention programs in Virginia and contributing to national policy discussions on flavored tobacco products. Dr. Nasim is a highly experienced administrator renowned for his significant contributions to faculty development, research, curricular innovation, and student success, enrollment, and retention efforts. He began his academic career as an assistant professor of Psychology at James Madison University. Over the past 15 years, Dr. Nasim has held progressively senior leadership roles at Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU). As a full professor of Psychology and African American Studies, he served as department chair of African American Studies and led efforts to transform the curriculum, resulting in significant increases in student enrollment, retention, and success among majors. He also held executive administrative positions such as senior vice provost for Faculty Affairs and vice president for Institutional Equity, Effectiveness, and Success. In his most recent role as vice president and senior advisor to the president of VCU, he played a key role in collaborating with other vice presidents to design initiatives and programs aimed at enhancing faculty and undergraduate student retention and success. Dr. Nasim founded VCU's Institute for Inclusion, Inquiry & Innovation, a faculty cluster hire program focused on advancing research in thematic areas. He has also been involved as a lead program evaluator on several National Science Foundation awards related to minority participation in STEM. Dr. Nasim is moving to Prairie View A&M University in Summer 2024 as the provost and senior vice president for Academic Affairs.

To the best of our knowledge, Dr. Nasim's file does not include any information we believe to be inconsistent with System Policy 12.01, Section 4.3.

# MO 176-2024 (Item 6.7) EXHIBIT

#### FACULTY DEVELOPMENT LEAVE LIST FY 2024 PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

| Name/<br>Title/<br>Department                                 | Years of<br>PVAMU<br>Tenured,<br>Tenure-<br>Track<br>Service | Semester<br>of Leave               | Location, Brief Description of Leave and<br>Benefit to University                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| MARVIN D. AND JUNE SAM                                        | UEL BRAILS                                                   | SFORD COI                          | LEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Tamika C. Baldwin-Clark<br>Assistant Professor<br>Social Work | 5                                                            | Fall 2024                          | Dr. Tamika Baldwin-Clark's leave will take place during the fall 2024 semester. As one of only two Historicaly Black Colleges and Universities scholars for the Semester at Sea program through the Institute for Shipboard Education (ISE) and Colorado State University, she will visit eleven cities in ten countries across three continents. During the 105-day voyage, Dr. Baldwin-Clark will be teaching the following courses: SOWK (Social Work) 330: Intersectionality and Identity, HDFS (Human Development and Family Studies) 201: Perspectives in Gerontology, and HDFS 412: Mental and Physical Health in Adulthood. She will also collaborate with other faculty onboard on various field programs and activities. This opportunity will bring greater visibility and recognition to the university. |
| Dorie Gilbert<br>Professor<br>Social Work                     | 5                                                            | Fall 2024<br>and<br>Spring<br>2025 | Dr. Gilbert will use her sabbatical leave to pursue two book projects. The first book, <i>Bridging the STEM-Humanities Divide</i> , will catalog innovative interdisciplinary initiatives. Case studies be collected over the fall semester and through a workshop presented at the national Council of Colleges of Arts & Sciences Conference in Nov 2024. The second book, <i>Best Practices in HBCU Collaborations</i> , will be the focus of her spring leave. These projects will enhance the university's reputation for fostering interdisciplinary research and promoting best practices in higher education.                                                                                                                                                                                                |

## TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY BACKGROUND OF FACULTY RECOMMENDED FOR ACADEMIC TENURE TENURE LIST NO. 24-04

#### COLLEGE OF LIBERAL AND FINE ARTS

|                     | Present Rank            | ſ            | . Towards<br>enure* | Effective Date   |  |
|---------------------|-------------------------|--------------|---------------------|------------------|--|
| <u>Name</u>         | <u>Department</u>       | <u>Univ.</u> | Other Inst.         | <u>Tenure</u>    |  |
|                     |                         | 1            |                     |                  |  |
| Dr. Emran El-Badawi | Professor               | 0            | 7                   | Upon Approval    |  |
|                     | History, Geography, and |              |                     | by the Board and |  |
|                     | GIS                     |              |                     | Faculty Arrival  |  |
|                     |                         |              |                     |                  |  |
| Ph.D.               | University of Chicago   |              |                     |                  |  |
|                     |                         |              |                     |                  |  |
| Fa 2003 – Fa 2005   | Temple University       | L            | ecturer             |                  |  |
| Fa 2006 – Sp 2010   | University of Chicago   | L            | Lecturer            |                  |  |
| Fa 2011 – Fa 2016   | University of Houston   | A            | Assistant Professor |                  |  |
| Su 2020             | Rice University         | V            | Visiting Faculty    |                  |  |
| Fa 2016 - Present   | University of Houston   |              | ssociate Profes     | sor              |  |

Dr. Emran El-Badawi is recommended for tenure as a professor in the Department of History, Geography, and GIS. Upon his arrival, Dr. El-Badawi will be the Dean of the College of Liberal and Fine Arts. He was tenured and promoted to associate professor at the University of Houston in 2016 and is anticipated to earn a promotion to professor by June 2024. He comes to Tarleton State University as an accomplished teacher, having taught and/or designed 22 courses. Further, he was named a 50-In-5 Scholar for National Recognition in 2024 and was named an Honors College Fellow in 2015. He has mentored two graduate students' theses and 10 undergraduate theses. His research considers Middle East and North African civilizations, including modernity and religion, energy and sustainability, the Qur'an and Bible, gender, and classical Islam. Since starting at the University of Houston, he published three books, 11 peer-reviewed journal articles, and 12 book chapters, among other scholarly works. Several of his publications are published in both English and Arabic. His service is exemplary, serving as conference organizer for 17 separate conferences, serving on several editorial boards, and numerous universities, college, and department committees.

To the best of our knowledge, Dr. El-Badawi has behaved in a professional manner throughout his career and has not engaged in behaviors that may lead to dismissal for cause as specified in System Policy *12.01*, Section 4.3.

#### TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY BACKGROUND OF FACULTY RECOMMENDED FOR ACADEMIC TENURE TENURE LIST NO. 24-04

#### A.R. SANCHEZ, JR., SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

|                                                                        | Present Rank                                                                                                                     | Yrs. Towards<br>Tenure* |                                                          | Effective Date                                       |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| Name                                                                   | Department                                                                                                                       | Univ.                   | Other Inst.                                              | Tenure                                               |
| Dr. Luis A. Perez-<br>Batres                                           | Professor<br>Management                                                                                                          | 0                       | 12                                                       | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and Faculty<br>Arrival |
| Ph.D. (2006)                                                           | Mays Business School, 7                                                                                                          | Texas A&M               | University                                               |                                                      |
| Fa 2012 – Sp 2017<br>Fa 2017 – Sp 2021<br>Fa 2021 – Sp 2024<br>Su 2024 | Central Michigan University<br>Central Michigan University<br>Missouri State University<br>Texas A&M International<br>University |                         | Associate Pro<br>Professor<br>Professor (Te<br>Professor | ofessor (Tenured 2012)<br>nured 2021)                |

Dr. Perez-Batres' research explores global supply chains, labor reallocation and sustainability. He has published over 15 lead-authored publications and 40+ lead-authored collaborations. His work has over 1,200 citations on Google Scholar and his research (seven articles) has been rated Five A by the ABDC Journal Quality List in addition to having two articles in the *Financial Times* Top 50. Dr. Perez-Batres has a robust research agenda. His teaching indicates the same level of success as his scholarship. The primary courses he teaches are: Strategic Management, Principles of Management, International Business, and Supply and Chain Management. While he has a great deal of service experience, Dr. Perez-Batres has focused more on administrative roles in the last decade. He has served as department chair at Missouri State University and Central Michigan University. In all the departments he has overseen, significant progress has been made in research and curriculum.

To the best of our knowledge, Dr. Batres has behaved in a professional manner across his career and has not engaged in behaviors that may lead to dismissal for cause as specified in System Policy *12.01*, Section 4.3.

| Dr. Yong Chen     | Assistant Professor<br>International Business<br>and Technology Studies | 6 | 0             | 09/01/2024 |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|---------------|------------|
| Ph.D. (2018)      | Old Dominion University                                                 |   |               |            |
| Fa 2018 – Present | Texas A&M International<br>University                                   |   | Assistant Pro | fessor     |

Dr. Chen's primary research interests are in Management Information Systems. Over the past five years (2018-2023), Dr. Chen has published 40 articles in 13 different refereed journals. Five articles are in top tier journals (as rated by the college), 21 articles are published in tier one journals and 14 articles are published in tier two journals. This activity indicates a strong commitment to building a research record. Dr. Chen's teaching record is also strong. Courses he has taught at the graduate and undergraduate levels (in-person and online) include: Business Information Security, Management of Information Systems, Information Systems Analysis, Networking and Distributed Systems, Social Business Analytics, Business Data Visualization, Database Design Implementation, and Management of Information Systems. His service is also exceptional. Dr. Chen has served on both the University Graduate Council and the University Research Council. Within the college, he has served as the faculty advisor to the Management Information Systems (MIS) Student Organization and his assessment work for the MIS degree program.

To the best of our knowledge, Dr. Chen has behaved in a professional manner across his career and has not engaged in behaviors that may lead to dismissal for cause as specified in System Policy *12.01*, Section 4.3.

| Dr. Qing (Kathy) Ma | Assistant Professor<br>International Business<br>and Technology Studies | 7 | 0             | 09/01/2024 |
|---------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|---------------|------------|
| Ph.D. (2018)        | University of Memphis                                                   |   |               |            |
| Fa 2017 – Present   | Texas A&M International<br>University                                   |   | Assistant Pro | fessor     |

Dr. Ma's primary research area is Management, with a specific focus on Human Resources Management. Over the past six years (2017-2023), Dr. Ma has published several articles in many different refereed journals—elite management, three in tier one journals, and one in a tier two journal. In addition to her published research in high quality refereed articles, Dr. Ma has made four conference presentations of her research, two manuscripts under review and eight working papers. Dr. Ma's teaching record is also strong. Her graduate and undergraduate student evaluation scores are high for the following courses: Research Issues in International Business Administration, Organizational Theory & Change, Strategic Management, Seminar in International Management, International Management, Leadership & Cooperative Management, Leadership & Decision Making, and Human Resource Development. This is a strong teaching record for a junior faculty, especially one who teaches a wide range of courses both at the master's and doctoral levels. Service to her students, the university, and field are strong as well. Dr. Ma served on eight different dissertation committees over the past six years and has taken lead roles in faculty searches.

To the best of our knowledge, Dr. Ma has behaved in a professional manner across her career and has not engaged in behaviors that may lead to dismissal for cause as specified in System Policy *12.01*, Section 4.3.

## **COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES**

|                        | Present Rank              | Yrs. Towards<br>Tenure* |                 | Effective Date |
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| Name                   | <u>Department</u>         | <u>Univ.</u>            | Other Inst.     | Tenure         |
|                        |                           |                         |                 |                |
| Dr. Mustafa H. Al Lail | Assistant Professor       | 6                       | 0               | 09/01/2024     |
|                        | School of Engineering     |                         |                 |                |
|                        |                           |                         |                 |                |
| Ph.D. (2018)           | Colorado State University |                         |                 |                |
|                        |                           |                         |                 |                |
| Fa 2018 – Present      | Texas A&M International   |                         | Assistant Pro   | fessor         |
|                        | University                |                         | 110010000111110 |                |

Dr. Al Lail's research interests include model-driven engineering, machine learning and cybersecurity. Dr. Al Lail's research productivity has increased greatly over his probationary period. He has published three peer-reviewed journal papers and 10 conference papers. The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, for which Dr. Al Lail has published, is the premier professional organization overseeing the wide computer-related fields. Dr. Al Lail's teaching record is good, with teaching evaluations ranging between 3.6 and 5.0. He has taught: Software Design, Software Engineering (and lab), Fundamentals of Programming Lab, Computer Engineering Senior Design Project, Object-Oriented Programming, Electronic Devices and Apps, Programming Languages, and Software Engineering and Project Development (I & II). To refine his teaching, Dr. Al Lail has attended professional development workshops and was part of the first cohort of faculty to take a yearlong Association of College and University Education course. Service to his students, the university and his field is strong. He has mentored numerous undergraduate students. In terms of service to the university and his field, Dr. Al Lail was a key contributor to the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology self-report for the Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering program.

To the best of our knowledge, Dr. Al Lail has behaved in a professional manner across his career and has not engaged in behaviors that may lead to dismissal for cause as specified in System Policy *12.01*, Section 4.3.

| Dr. Huseyin Cinoglu                                                              | Associate Professor<br>Social Sciences                                                                                    | 2 | 13                                                           | 09/01/2024           |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Ph.D. (2008)                                                                     | University of North Texas                                                                                                 |   |                                                              |                      |
| Fa 2010 – Sp 2011<br>Fa 2011 – Sp 2015<br>Fa 2015 – Sp 2016<br>Fa 2022 - Present | Faculty of Security Science<br>Faculty of Security Science<br>Karabuk University<br>Texas A&M International<br>University |   | Assistant Pr<br>Associate Pr<br>Associate Pr<br>Associate Pr | rofessor<br>rofessor |

Dr. Cinoglu has an active publication record having published two peer-reviewed articles in his single year at Texas A&M International University (TAMIU). Before his time at TAMIU, he had produced five books (three as lead or sole author), 12 articles in peer-reviewed journals (seven as lead or sole author),

and 16 chapters in edited books (10 as lead or sole author). Dr. Cinoglu's work has been widely cited, having received more than 200 citations, and has influenced anti-terrorism policy in Turkey and elsewhere. Moreover, with several additional manuscripts either in preparation or under review, Dr. Cinoglu has a very active ongoing research agenda. Dr. Cinoglu's teaching record is also strong. He has taught both graduate (PhD and masters) and undergraduate courses: Advanced Research Methods in Criminal Justice, Homeland Security, Special Topics in Criminal Justice, Seminar on Police Practices, Criminal Profiling, Media and Crime, Research Methods in Social Sciences, and Introduction to Criminal Justice. He has demonstrated a high level of teaching to obtain tenure at TAMIU and his previous positions. Both students and peer evaluators have indicated that Dr. Cinoglu's service to the university has been strong. He is a member of the University Curriculum Committee and the assessment coordinator for the Criminal Justice program; he has also played an active role in the governance of the PhD program.

To the best of our knowledge, Dr. Cinoglu has behaved in a professional manner across his career and has not engaged in behaviors that may lead to dismissal for cause as specified in System Policy *12.01*, Section 4.3.

| Dr. Alison Hadley-<br>Hilburn | Assistant Professor<br>Social Sciences | 6 | 0             | 09/01/2024 |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---|---------------|------------|
| Ph.D. (2015)                  | University of Kansas                   |   |               |            |
| Fa 2018 - Present             | Texas A&M International<br>University  |   | Assistant Pro | fessor     |

Dr. Hadley-Hilburn's primary research interest is anthropology, particularly anthropological archaeology which focuses on studying the ritual stone artifacts and understanding the role these objects played in Native North American cultures. Since joining Texas A&M International University, Dr. Hadley-Hilburn has published four peer-reviewed articles (three of which are sole authored) and two book chapters. She consistently presents at professional conferences and has been awarded several external grants (e.g., Summerlee Foundation). Dr. Hadley-Hilburn's teaching record is also remarkable, often receiving very high student evaluations. She is a highly engaging instructor who uses innovative methods to spur participation and creates a fun classroom environment. She has taught: Introduction to Archaeology, Introduction to Anthropology, Indians of North America, Biological Anthropology, North American Archaeology, Archaeological Laboratory Methods, Myth, Magic, and Religion, Archaeological Reality and Fantasies, Food and Culture, and Cultural Anthropology. Her service is also exceptional. Dr. Hadley-Hilburn is the sole anthropologist for the university, and she is responsible for coordination of the anthropology minor. She is a member of the Honor Council, the College of Arts & Sciences Curriculum Committee, the Library Committee, and the Risk Management Committee. She has also performed a variety of professional services as a board member of the Plains Anthropological Society and as a peer reviewer for several Anthropology journals.

To the best of our knowledge, Dr. Hadley-Hilburn has behaved in a professional manner across his career and has not engaged in behaviors that may lead to dismissal for cause as specified in System Policy *12.01*, Section 4.3.

| Dr. Saqib Hussain | Assistant Professor<br>Math & Physics | 6 | 0             | 09/01/2024 |  |
|-------------------|---------------------------------------|---|---------------|------------|--|
| Ph.D. (2018)      | University of Arkansas at Little Rock |   |               |            |  |
| Fa 2018 - Present | Texas A&M International<br>University |   | Assistant Pro | fessor     |  |

Dr. Hussain's primary research interest is computational mathematics, particularly in relation to the novel weak Galerkin (WG) finite element methods. Since joining Texas A&M International University (TAMIU), Dr. Hussain has published nine journal articles. Dr. Hussain actively presents his research at conferences and has received one Minority Science and Engineering Program and Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Grant from the US Department of Education as a Co-Principal Investigator (2023-2026, \$892,782). Dr. Hussain's teaching record is also strong, receiving progressively high student evaluations in even the most difficult courses in mathematics. He has taught nine different graduate courses in mathematics and statistics and 14 different upper and lower-level mathematics courses during his time at TAMIU; these include: Abstract Algebra I, Generalized Lienear Models, Probability, Applied Multivariate Analysis, Quality Control and Improvements, Functional Analysis I, Regression and Time Series Analysis, Theory of Sampling and Survey Analysis, Numerical Methods for Partial Differential Equations, Abstract Algebra I, Advanced Linear Algebra, Business Mathematics (I & II), Numerical Analysis II, Calculus (I & III), and Introductory Statistics. Dr. Hussain's service is also strong. He has served on the Assessment Committee, Colloquium Committee, Comprehensive Exam Committee, Graduate Admissions Committee, Precalculus Committee, and two ad-hoc committees at the departmental level. At the college level, he has served on the Curriculum Committee and served on four search committees for the Department of Biology and Chemistry and the Department of Mathematics and Physics. Dr. Hussain has also participated in numerous community outreach activities.

To the best of our knowledge, Dr. Hussain has behaved in a professional manner across his career and has not engaged in behaviors that may lead to dismissal for cause as specified in System Policy *12.01*, Section 4.3.

| Mr. Jesse L. Shaw | Assistant Professor                   | 6 | 0             | 09/01/2024 |
|-------------------|---------------------------------------|---|---------------|------------|
|                   | Fine & Performing Arts                |   |               |            |
| M.F.A. (2009)     | Rhode Island School of Design         |   |               |            |
| Fa 2018 – Present | Texas A&M International<br>University |   | Assistant Pro | fessor     |

Mr. Shaw has displayed a great deal of research/creative productivity at Texas A&M International University. His printmaking/silkscreening work has been presented at galleries in many parts of the country. For instance, he has been a guest artist and speaker at Penn College of Technology in 2018, Lamar University in 2019, and the Small Press Fair in 2022. He has also had his creative projects added to the Artist Printmaker/Photographer Research Collection at the Museum of Texas Tech and the Kruizenga Museum at Hope College in Holland, Michigan. Mr. Shaw founded the Tarantula Press in which students work with professional artists to publish fine art prints. The Laredo Mobile Letterpress project, funded by a National Endowment for the Arts Grant, brought letterpress equipment and programming to the university and the community. Mr. Shaw's teaching record is also very strong. He is known for mentoring students and has taught: Printmaking (Introduction, Intermediate, and Advanced),

Drawing I, II, and III, Practicum Seminar in the Arts, Works on Paper, Lithograph, Art Appreciation, Two-Dimensional Design, and Senior Thesis. Mr. Shaw's service is also exceptional. Not only does he sit on numerous department and university committees, but he also builds relationships with artists/galleries in Laredo and beyond. The solid growth of art exhibits at the university is largely credited to Mr. Shaw and his relationships with other artists across the country.

To the best of our knowledge, Mr. Shaw has behaved in a professional manner across his career and has not engaged in behaviors that may lead to dismissal for cause as specified in System Policy *12.01*, Section 4.3.

\* Each university determines, through a review process, the number of years each faculty member will be awarded tenure based on his/her dossier.

#### TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY BACKGROUND OF FACULTY RECOMMENDED FOR ACADEMIC TENURE TENURE LIST NO. 24-04

#### **COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE & LIFE SCIENCES**

|                      | Present Rank                             | Yrs. Towards<br>Tenure*            |                    | Effective Date                |
|----------------------|------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| Name                 | <b>Department</b>                        | Univ                               | <u>Other Inst.</u> | <u>Tenure</u>                 |
| Dr. Michael D. Buser | Professor<br>Dialogical & Agricultural   | 1                                  | 9                  | Upon Approval<br>by the Board |
|                      | Biological & Agricultural<br>Engineering |                                    |                    | by the Board                  |
| Ph.D. (2004)         | Texas A&M University                     |                                    |                    |                               |
| Fa 2009 – Su 2014    | Oklahoma State University                |                                    | Assistant Profes   | sor                           |
| Su 2014 – Su 2017    | Oklahoma State University                | Associate Professor (Tenured 2014) |                    |                               |
| Su 2017 – Su 2018    | Oklahoma State University                | Professor                          |                    |                               |
| Fa 2023 – Present    | Texas A&M University                     |                                    | Professor          |                               |

Dr. Michael D. Buser earned a Ph.D. in Biological and Agricultural Engineering from Texas A&M University in 2004. He is a nationally and internationally recognized expert on a broad range of agricultural air quality issues including cotton harvesting, ginning, cattle feed yards, feed mills, poultry broiler operations, nut harvesting, manure to energy systems, textile mills, coal mining, and general regional air quality monitoring. The major portion of his career (16 years) has been spent providing leadership within the United States Department of Agriculture developing research programs focused on agricultural air quality, cotton gin byproduct utilization and cotton ginning enhancements. From 2009-2018, Dr. Buser was on the faculty of the Biosystems and Agricultural Engineering Department at Oklahoma State University during which time he achieved the rank of professor with tenure. Dr. Buser has garnered over \$22 million in federal, state, industry, and university competitive grant funding. He has published 130 refereed journal articles and five book chapters. He was presented the American Society of Agricultural & Biological Engineers Mayfield Cotton Engineering Award in recognition of outstanding engineering contributions to the cotton industry.

Dr. Buser's file does not include any information we believe to be inconsistent with System Policy 12.01, Section 4.3.

| Dr. Juan Dong     | Professor                                  | 0      | 13                                 | Upon Approval |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------------|--------|------------------------------------|---------------|
|                   | Biochemistry & Biophysics                  |        |                                    | by the Board  |
|                   | ·                                          |        |                                    |               |
| Ph.D. (2005)      | University of California, Rive             | erside |                                    |               |
| Fa 2011 – Su 2017 | Rutgers The State University<br>New Jersey | of 4   | Assistant Profes                   | sor           |
| Su 2017 – Su 2022 | Rutgers The State University<br>New Jersey | of 4   | Associate Professor (Tenured 2017) |               |
| Su 2022 – Sp 2024 | Rutgers The State University<br>New Jersey | of 1   | Professor                          |               |
| Sp 2024 – Present | Texas A&M University                       | ]      | Professor                          |               |

Dr. Juan Dong earned a Ph.D. in Plant Biology from the University of California, Riverside in 2005. She is a plant developmental biologist who studies cell polarity and asymmetric cell division in multicellular organisms. She has more than 40 peer-reviewed journal publications and is known for her research in providing mechanistic insights into the signaling events and subcellular processes in establishing polarized stomatal lineage cells and their divisional asymmetries in Arabidopsis. Dr. Dong has been awarded over \$4 million in research funding from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the National Science Foundation (NSF). Dr. Dong's recognition by her peers has been amply demonstrated both nationally and internationally through winning the 2016 Women's Young Investigator Award from the American Society of Plant Biology and several travel awards to attend conferences. She serves as associate editor for the Journal of Integrative Plant Biology, both of which are the field's high-impact journals. Dr. Dong's service to the broader professional community is notable and of high quality. She has served as a member of NIH, NSF, and United States Department of Agriculture – National Institute of Food and Agriculture grant review panels, reviewing numerous grants for those panels.

Dr. Dong's file does not include any information we believe to be inconsistent with System Policy 12.01, Section 4.3.

|                       | Present Rank                            | Yrs. Towards<br>Tenure* |                  | Effective Date   |
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| Name                  | <u>Department</u>                       | <u>Univ.</u>            | Other Inst.      | Tenure           |
|                       |                                         | 1                       |                  |                  |
| Dr. Jorge Luis García | Associate Professor                     | 0                       | 6                | Upon Approval    |
|                       | Economics                               |                         |                  | by the Board and |
|                       |                                         |                         |                  | Faculty Arrival  |
|                       |                                         |                         |                  |                  |
| Ph.D. (2018)          | University of Chicago                   |                         |                  |                  |
|                       |                                         |                         |                  |                  |
| Fa 2018 – Present     | Clemson University Assistant Professor* |                         | sor*             |                  |
| Su 2024               | Texas A&M University                    | A                       | Associate Profes | sor              |

#### **COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES**

Dr. Jorge Luis García earned a Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Chicago in 2018. He is an applied micro-economist with expertise in labor, public and development economics. He is the author of 16 published articles, accumulating more than 1,700 citations. His work aims to generate scientific knowledge that contributes to creating socially efficient public policy that tackles domestic and international poverty. Some of this work has already influenced proposals for policy design (e.g., White House 2020 and 2021). He has often presented his work at conferences and seminars at universities such as Cornell, Duke and Harvard. At Clemson University, Dr. García's work was recognized twice with an emergent scholar fellowship. He was also nominated for the university-wide Researcher of the Year award. His expertise in applied economics has been recognized broadly within the economics profession. He currently serves as an associate editor for the Journal of Human Capital. Dr. García has served on 10 Ph.D. committees and five master's committees. His teaching at the undergraduate, master's and doctoral levels has consistently received excellent evaluation.

\*Dr. Jorge Luis García was approved for promotion to associate professor with tenure at Clemson University to be effective August 15, 2024. He will resign from Clemson prior to the promotion and tenure taking effect.

Dr. García's file does not include any information we believe to be inconsistent with System Policy *12.01*, Section 4.3.

| Dr. Joseph T. Lariscy                             | Associate Professor<br>Sociology                                       | 0                                                                                | 9 | Upon Approval<br>by the Board and<br>Faculty Arrival |
|---------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|------------------------------------------------------|
| Ph.D. (2013)                                      | The University of Texas at Austin                                      |                                                                                  |   |                                                      |
| Fa 2015 – Su 2021<br>Fa 2021 – Present<br>Su 2024 | University of Memphis<br>University of Memphis<br>Texas A&M University | Assistant Professor<br>Associate Professor (Tenured 2021)<br>Associate Professor |   |                                                      |

Dr. Joseph T. Lariscy earned a Ph.D. in Sociology from The University of Texas at Austin in 2013. He is a demographer and health sociologist with broad interests in racial/ethnic health disparities and the data and methods used in the population health sciences. His primary research contributions examine racial/ethnic disparities in U.S. adult mortality risk and the early-life processes, particularly educational attainment, and health behaviors, that shape later-life health disparities. He is the author or coauthor of 14 peer-reviewed journal articles and three book chapters, including four articles in the journal Demography, the flagship journal of the Population Association of America. Dr. Lariscy's research has been supported by the National Institute on Aging and the Delta Regional Authority. He is an active member of the Population Association of America, American Sociological Association and Southern Demographic Association. In 2023, he was elected president-elect of the Southern Demographic Association. Dr. Lariscy is particularly committed to advising and collaborating with students. From 2020 to 2024, he served as director of graduate studies in the Department of Sociology at the University of Memphis. He has chaired 10 master's thesis committees and served as a committee member on 10 additional master's thesis committees.

Dr. Lariscy's file does not include any information we believe to be inconsistent with System Policy *12.01*, Section 4.3.

|                      | Present Rank                  | Yrs. Towards<br>Tenure*                     |                          | Effective Date             |  |
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| <u>Name</u>          | <u>Department</u>             | Univ.                                       | Other Inst.              | <u>Tenure</u>              |  |
| Dr. Robert H. Bishop | Professor                     | 0                                           | >15                      | Upon Approval by           |  |
|                      | Aerospace Engineering         |                                             |                          | the Board                  |  |
| Ph.D. (1990)         | Rice University               |                                             |                          |                            |  |
| Su 1990 – Su 1995    | The University of Texas at Au | ustin                                       | Assistant Profes         | sor                        |  |
| Su 1995 – Su 2000    | The University of Texas at Au | -                                           |                          | e Professor (Tenured 1995) |  |
| Su 2000 – Su 2010    | The University of Texas at Au | The University of Texas at Austin Professor |                          |                            |  |
| Su 2010 – Sp 2014    | Marquette University          | ]                                           | Professor (Tenured 2010) |                            |  |
| Su 2014 – Sp 2024    | The University of South Flori | da 🛛                                        | Professor (Tenu          | red 2014)                  |  |
| Sp 2024 – Present    | Texas A&M University          | ]                                           | Professor                |                            |  |

## **COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING**

Dr. Robert H. Bishop earned a Ph.D. in Electrical and Computer Engineering from Rice University in 1990. He joined Texas A&M University as the vice chancellor and dean of engineering in April 2024. Before this role, he served as a chaired professor and dean at The University of South Florida, where he founded a non-profit start-up awarded more than \$100 million in Department of Defense contracts. Dr. Bishop's work in space navigation has produced numerous high-quality journal publications and conference proceedings. He has also published one textbook. Dr. Bishop is a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science,

American Astronautical Society (AAS) and American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics. He has received several prestigious awards including the Dirk Brouwer Award from AAS for seminal contributions to the theory and practice of navigation and control of autonomous aerospace systems and for exceptional achievements in engineering education.

Dr. Bishop's file does not include any information we believe to be inconsistent with System Policy *12.01*, Section 4.3.

|                                                                                                       | Present Rank                          | Yrs. Towards<br>Tenure* |             | Effective Date             |
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| Name                                                                                                  | <b>Department</b>                     | Univ.                   | Other Inst. | Tenure                     |
| Dr. James R. Brown                                                                                    | Professor<br>Finance                  | 0                       | >15         | Upon Approval by the Board |
| Ph.D. (2004)                                                                                          | Washington University in St.          | Louis                   |             |                            |
| Fa 2004 – Sp 2009<br>Fa 2009 – Sp 2012<br>Fa 2012 – Sp 2019<br>Fa 2019 – Sp 2024<br>Su 2024 – Present | Iowa State University Assistant Profe |                         | Professor   |                            |

## MAYS BUSINESS SCHOOL

Dr. James R. Brown earned a Ph.D. in Economics from Washington University in St. Louis in 2004. His research program focuses on the financing of innovation and the institutional determinants of economic performance. His recent work explores how country-level policy reforms impact corporate research and development (R&D) spending, how firms manage unanticipated cash flow shocks and how financial market development affects household credit management and long-run economic growth. His research has been published in leading peer-reviewed journals, including the Journal of Finance, the Journal of Financial Economics, the Review of Financial Studies, the Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis, and Management Science. Dr. Brown's research has been cited over 6700 times (Google Scholar). His study on financing R&D was a finalist for the Brattle Group Prize and one of the 25 most cited papers published in the Journal of Finance between 2008 and 2017. His study on the consequences of growing up in areas with underdeveloped financial markets was a finalist for the Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association of America-College Retirement Equities Fund Paul A. Samuelson Award for scholarly writing on lifelong financial security. Dr. Brown teaches introductory and advanced courses in financial management and has won multiple awards for teaching excellence at the Master of Business Administration level. Dr. Brown has extensive service and administrative experience, including service as department head and engagement with numerous university and college committees.

Dr. Brown's file does not include any information we believe to be inconsistent with System Policy *12.01*, Section 4.3.

| Dr. Bradford F. Hepfer | Associate Professor<br>Accounting | 7 | 1 | Upon Approval by the<br>Board |
|------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|---|-------------------------------|
| Ph.D. (2016)           | The University of Iowa            |   |   | ·                             |

| Su 2016 – Sp 2023 | Texas A&M University   | Assistant Professor                |
|-------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Fa 2023 – Sp 2024 | The University of Iowa | Associate Professor (Tenured 2023) |
| Su 2024 – Present | Texas A&M University   | Associate Professor                |

Dr. Bradford F. Hepfer earned a Ph.D. in Accounting from The University of Iowa in 2016. He is an expert on tax accounting. Through his research, he looks to advance scholarly practice in accounting research, offer new insights about the role of taxes in corporate and individual decisions, and provide useful evidence to business leaders, policymakers and investors. Dr. Hepfer's research has been published in top scholarly journals, including The Accounting Review and Review of Accounting Studies. He recently completed a three-year term on the editorial board of the Journal of the American Taxation Association, the leading tax accounting-specific journal. Dr. Hepfer possesses a wide array of teaching experience at the undergraduate and graduate levels. His teaching has been recognized with the Montague-Center for Teaching for Excellence Award and the Ernst & Young Faculty Excellence Award. Since fall 2023, Dr. Hepfer has been an associate professor at The University of Iowa's Tippie College of Business. Prior to that, he served for seven years as an assistant professor in the James Benjamin Department of Accounting at Texas A&M University's Mays Business School. Dr. Hepfer also gained valuable public accounting experience in the tax practice of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP.

Dr. Hepfer's file does not include any information we believe to be inconsistent with System Policy *12.01*, Section 4.3.

|                      | Present Rank                                |             | rs. Towards<br>Tenure* | Effective Date             |
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| Name                 | <u>Department</u>                           | <u>Univ</u> | Other Inst.            | <u>Tenure</u>              |
|                      |                                             | 1           | 7                      | TT A 11 (1                 |
| Dr. Lucas H. Timmins | Associate Professor<br>Engineering Medicine | 1 7         |                        | Upon Approval by the Board |
|                      | 1                                           |             |                        |                            |
| Ph.D. (2010)         | Texas A&M University                        |             |                        |                            |
| Fa 2016 – Su 2023    | University of Utah                          |             | Assistant Profes       | sor                        |
| Su 2023 – Su 2023    | University of Utah                          |             | Associate Profes       | sor (Tenured 2023)         |
| Su 2023 – Present    | Texas A&M University                        |             | Associate Profes       | sor                        |

# SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING MEDICINE

Dr. Lucas Timmins earned a Ph.D. in Biomedical Engineering from Texas A&M University in 2010. He holds the position of associate professor in the School of Engineering Medicine with courtesy joint appointments in the Department of Biomedical Engineering and the Department of Multidisciplinary Engineering in the College of Engineering. He is an affiliate faculty member in the Scientific Computing and Imaging Institute at the University of Utah. Dr. Timmins has been active as a scientist in the mechanics of cardiovascular soft tissues for nearly 20 years. His research program focuses on coupling computational mechanics and medical imaging to address prevalent challenges in cardiovascular medicine. He is nationally recognized for translating his efforts to establish disruptive technologies that advance patient care. His research has been supported by the National Institutes of Health, American Heart Association, and Burroughs Welcome Fund (received ~\$2.2 million in research funding). Dr. Timmins is an active member of several professional societies, including the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and Biomedical Engineering Society.

Dr. Timmins' file does not include any information we believe to be inconsistent with System Policy *12.01*, Section 4.3.

## SCHOOL OF LAW

|                               | Present Rank              |       | s. Towards<br>Fenure* | Effective Date             |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|-------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| Name                          | <u>Department</u>         | Univ. | Other Inst.           | <u>Tenure</u>              |
| Ma Katharing Minag            | Professor                 | 0     | 5                     | These Assessed by the      |
| Ms. Katherine Mims<br>Crocker | Law                       | 0     | 5                     | Upon Approval by the Board |
|                               |                           |       |                       |                            |
| J.D. (2012)                   | University of Virginia    |       |                       |                            |
| Fa 2019 – Su 2022             | William & Mary University | 1     | Assistant Profess     | sor                        |
| Fa 2022 – Su 2024             | William & Mary University | 1     | Associate Profes      | sor (Tenure-Track)         |
| Su 2024 – Present             | Texas A&M University      | I     | Professor             |                            |

Ms. Katherine Mims Crocker earned her J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law in 2012, graduating first in her class. She earned her undergraduate degree cum laude from Harvard University in 2009. Ms. Crocker served as a law clerk to Judge J. Harvie Wilkinson III on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit and Justice Antonin Scalia on the Supreme Court of the United States. She then practiced law with an emphasis on appellate litigation at McGuireWoods LLP in Richmond, Virginia. Ms. Crocker completed a fellowship at Duke Law School before joining the faculty of William & Mary Law School. She has taught courses on federal courts, state and local-government law, civil procedure, and property, and she co-taught a course on judicial decision-making. Ms. Crocker's research focuses on federal courts, structural constitutional law, civil-rights litigation, and state and local-government law. She has published or has articles forthcoming in multiple top law reviews, including the Duke Law Journal, the Michigan Law Review, the Minnesota Law Review, the Notre Dame Law Review, and the Virginia Law Review. She is also an affiliate of the Stanford Constitutional Law Center and was a Campbell Visiting Fellow at Stanford's Hoover Institution.

Ms. Crocker's file does not include any information we believe to be inconsistent with System Policy *12.01*, Section 4.3.

|                                                   | Present Rank                                                                  |                       | s. Towards<br>Tenure* | Effective Date                                       |
|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| Name                                              | <u>Department</u>                                                             | <u>Univ</u>           | Other Inst.           | <u>Tenure</u>                                        |
| Dr. Rebecca Hays                                  | Associate Professor<br>Performance, Visualization<br>& Fine Arts              | ance, Visualization   |                       | Upon Approval<br>by the Board and<br>Faculty Arrival |
| DMA (2008)                                        | University of Illinois Urbana-                                                | -Champa               | aign                  |                                                      |
| Fa 2008 – Sp 2012<br>Fa 2014 – Present<br>Su 2024 | Mississippi State University<br>Texas Tech University<br>Texas A&M University | Texas Tech University |                       | sor<br>ssor (Tenured 2020)<br>ssor                   |

# SCHOOL OF PERFORMANCE, VISUALIZATION & FINE ARTS

Dr. Rebecca Hays earned a Doctor of Music Arts in Vocal Performance and Literature with Music Education from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign in 2008. Soprano and native Texan, Dr. Hays brings over 20 years of collegiate teaching experience to Texas A&M University. As a performing artist, she is known for

singing music in the traditional classical repertoire and championing music by underrepresented composers. Dr. Hays is a recording artist for the Albany and Centaur record labels, where her grant-funded recordings reflect this passion. She is a sought-after master-class artist and adjudicator. While at Texas Tech University, Dr. Hays' research interests were closely related to her work as a community outreach activist. Her partnerships have resulted in the introduction of opera to tens of thousands of K-12 students. As a teacher of applied voice, Dr. Hays has chaired or served on many graduate student committees and is consistently ranked as excellent in course evaluations. Her former students are teaching in both the public school and university settings and performing with major opera and musical theatre companies and orchestras. Dr. Hays is passionate about creating global citizens, which is reflected through her work as the Artistic Director of Music in the Marche, an Italian opera training program. She is a member of the National Association of Teachers of Singing, the College Music Society and Sigma Alpha Iota music fraternity.

Dr. Hays' file does not include any information we believe to be inconsistent with System Policy 12.01, Section 4.3.

| Dr. Lynn Vartan                                                        | Associate Professor<br>Performance, Visualization<br>& Fine Arts                                         | 0      | >15                                                                   | Upon Approval<br>by the Board and<br>Faculty Arrival |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| DMA (2004)                                                             | University of Southern Califor                                                                           | rnia   |                                                                       |                                                      |
| Fa 2008 – Sp 2013<br>Fa 2013 – Sp 2016<br>Fa 2016 – Su 2024<br>Su 2024 | Southern Utah University<br>Southern Utah University<br>Southern Utah University<br>Texas A&M University | I<br>I | Assistant Profes<br>Associate Profes<br>Professor<br>Associate Profes | ssor (Tenured 2013)                                  |

Dr. Lynn Vartan earned a Doctor of Music Arts in Music, Percussion Performance, Emphasis in Music Education, Music History, and Theatre Design from the University of Southern California in 2004. She is an internationally renowned music performer and educator, known for her collaborative performances and artistry. She has been Grammy nominated multiple times and was a performer on an album that was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize in music. She has been invited internationally to perform and teach in Europe, Vietnam, Cambodia, Romania, China, Taiwan, Thailand, Mexico, and Hong Kong among others, and is currently a U.S. Fulbright Specialist. Dr. Vartan is endorsed by the Paiste Corporation, Remo Inc. and Marimba One, and has a signature series of marimba mallets developed for her. Dr. Vartan has been awarded \$200,000 in grant money for musical projects and has commissioned and/or premiered nearly 50 new musical works. Dr. Vartan teaches courses in music performance, history, theory, ensembles, and entrepreneurship. She has led upwards of 50 students to win numerous scholarships/graduate assistantships and bring home top prizes in university, national and global music competitions. She has served by creating the Southern Utah University Percussion Festival and the Satellite Salon Music series, as well as serving and engaging in multiple college and university committees. Dr. Vartan also held the leadership position of curating and directing the university premiere lecture series, *Ask, Ponder, Educate, and [X] Events*.

Dr. Vartan's file does not include any information we believe to be inconsistent with System Policy *12.01*, Section 4.3.

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# MO 185-2024 (Item 6.16) EXHIBIT

#### Agenda Item No.

## **AGENDA ITEM BRIEFING**

#### Submitted by: Mark A. Welsh III, President Texas A&M University

Subject: Naming of the Construction Field Lab – Phase I at the RELLIS Campus

#### **Proposed Board Action:**

Name the Construction Field Lab – Phase I at the RELLIS Campus the "Ferrara Construction Field Laboratory Complex."

#### **Background Information:**

In accordance with System Policy 51.06, Naming of Buildings and Other Entities, "It is the policy of the Board of Regents (board) of The Texas A&M University System (system) to honor or memorialize individuals who have made significant contributions to the system by naming buildings, definable portions of buildings, geographical areas or academic entities for such individuals."

This recommendation is made per the attached memo from Dr. Patrick Suermann, Interim Dean, School of Architecture.

#### A&M System Funding or Other Financial Implications:

Not applicable.

#### **Strategic Plan Imperative(s) this Item Advances:**

Approval of this agenda item will directly advance The Texas A&M University System (A&M System) strategic imperative 3: "Our students will leave the A&M System as responsible and engaged citizens prepared for successful careers in an increasingly global economy. Our member institutions will develop the educational experiences, experiential opportunities, and service opportunities our students need to succeed post-graduation in a global economy." The Ferrara Construction Field Laboratory Complex will be about immersing students in hands-on materials and methods experiences and challenging future leaders to accomplish results through accountability on real world projects.

Agenda Item No.

## **TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

Office of the President July 1, 2024

Members, Board of Regents The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Naming of the Construction Field Lab – Phase I at the RELLIS Campus

I recommend adoption of the following minute order:

## "The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby names the Construction Field Lab – Phase I at the RELLIS Campus the 'Ferrara Construction Field Laboratory Complex.' "

Respectfully submitted,

Mark A. Welsh III President

#### **Approval Recommended:**

## **Approved for Legal Sufficiency:**

John Sharp Chancellor Ray Bonilla General Counsel

Billy Hamilton Deputy Chancellor and Chief Financial Officer

## ATTACHMENT TO ITEM

SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE OFFICE OF THE DEAN Dr. Patrick Suermann Interim Dean



#### June 14, 2024

- TO: Ms. Vickie Burt Spillers, Executive Director, Board of Regents The Texas A&M University System
- THROUGH: Mr. John Sharp, Chancellor The Texas A&M University System

General (Ret.) Mark A Welsh III, President Texas A&M University

Dr. Alan Sams, Provost and Executive Vice President Texas A&M University

Mr. John Crawford, Vice President for Finance and Chief Financial Officer Texas A&M University

- FROM: Dr. Patrick C. Suermann, Interim Dean, School of Architecture Texas A&M University
- SUBJECT: Recommendation for Naming the Construction Field Lab Phase I at the RELLIS Campus

On behalf of the School of Architecture at Texas A&M University, I respectfully request approval, including that of the Board of Regents, to formally name the Construction Field Lab – Phase I at the RELLIS Campus.

The attached naming opportunity will recognize the donor for his generous support of the Construction Field Lab. In accordance with University Standard Administrative Procedure 51.06.99.M0.01, Naming of Buildings & Other Entities, because at least 50% of the commitment for the targeted funds has been received, the request can be forwarded for approval.

We greatly appreciate your consideration of this request to honor this generous donor.

Attachment

#### Naming of the Construction Field Lab – Phase I at the RELLIS Campus

**Naming Opportunity:** The Construction Field Lab – Phase I on the southeastern corner of the RELLIS Campus that is designated for two future fabrication facilities. Please see location diagram below.

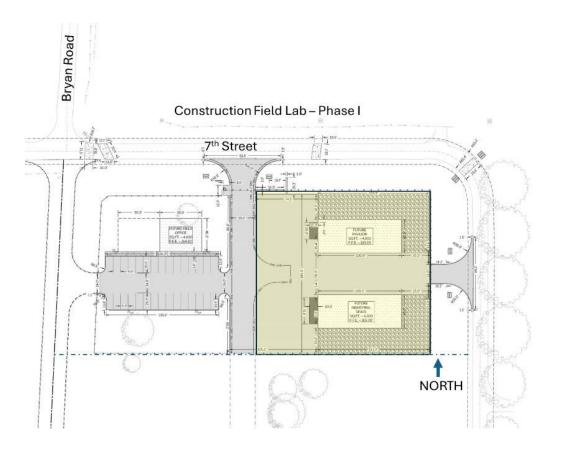
**Donor:** Charles Ferrara '89

Name Presentation: Ferrara Construction Field Laboratory Complex

**Gift Amount**: \$1,000,000

Amount Paid: \$803,957.50

**Biographical Information:** Charles Ferrara is a 1989 graduate of Texas A&M University with a Bachelor of Science in Construction Science. He is the co-founder and CEO of DynaGrid Construction Group. DynaGrid is headquartered in Dallas, Texas, with offices in Florida and Georgia, and provides integrated subgrade services to the utilities market. Mr. Ferrara lives in Flower Mound, Texas with his wife Diane.



MO 189-2024 (Item 6.20)

EXHIBIT

## TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE CONTRACTS \$500,000 OR MORE CONTRACT LIST NO. 24-04

| University     | Contracting     | Total           | Contract | New or    | Purpose of Contract/Summary         | Strategic Imperative                |
|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------|-----------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Unit           | Party           | Consideration   | Term     | Renewal   | of Statement of Work                |                                     |
| Texas A&M      | United States   | The annual      | 5 years  | Renewal   | The purpose of this Memorandum      | Approval of this agenda item        |
| University at  | Department of   | financial       |          |           | of Agreement is to provide          | will advance A&M System             |
| Galveston      | Transportation, | assistance is   |          |           | financial assistance to the Texas   | strategic imperatives 1, 2, 5, 7    |
|                | Maritime        | dependent on    |          |           | A&M Maritime Academy                | and 8. Specifically, this agenda    |
|                | Administration  | Congressional   |          |           | (TAMMA) in providing                | item will allow TAMMA to:           |
|                |                 | appropriations, |          |           | instruction to prepare individuals  | a) offset some of the costs of      |
|                |                 | but we expect   |          |           | for service in the Merchant Marine  | internal operations and operation   |
|                |                 | between         |          |           | of the United States, and to        | of the assigned Training Ship in    |
|                |                 | \$1,000,000 to  |          |           | provide guidance and assistance to  | support of imperative 2; b)         |
|                |                 | \$3,000,000 per |          |           | TAMMA to develop courses on         | provide graduating students         |
|                |                 | year, not to    |          |           | the operation and maintenance of    | potential entrance into maritime    |
|                |                 | exceed          |          |           | new vessels, equipment, and         | transportation, logistics and       |
|                |                 | \$15,000,000    |          |           | innovations being introduced to     | engineering careers in support of   |
|                |                 | over the term   |          |           | the Merchant Marine of the United   | imperatives 1 and 5; c) continue    |
|                |                 | of the          |          |           | States.                             | to meet the need for global and     |
|                |                 | Agreement.      |          |           |                                     | strategic sealift in support of     |
|                |                 |                 |          |           |                                     | imperative 7; and d) continue to    |
|                |                 |                 |          |           |                                     | grow to meet long-term              |
|                |                 |                 |          |           |                                     | objectives in support of            |
|                |                 |                 |          |           |                                     | imperative 8.                       |
| Texas A&M      | Baylor Scott &  | Additional      | 1 year   | Amendment | At the November 2023 meeting,       | Approval of this agenda item        |
| University     | White Health    | consideration   |          |           | the Board of Regents authorized     | will advance A&M System             |
| Health Science |                 | of \$155,075    |          |           | the Texas A&M University Health     | strategic imperatives 1, 3, and 5.  |
| Center         |                 | for a total     |          |           | Science Center to enter into a two- | More specifically, it will: a)      |
|                |                 | contract value  |          |           | year contract with Baylor Scott &   | enable the School of Medicine to    |
|                |                 | of \$690,775.   |          |           | White Health to provide child and   | provide required training to        |
|                |                 |                 |          |           | adolescent psychiatric-related      | medical students in support of      |
|                |                 |                 |          |           | services in connection with the     | imperative 1; b) provide access     |
|                |                 |                 |          |           | Texas Child Mental Health Care      | to obtain clinical training for our |
|                |                 |                 |          |           | Consortium award. The original      | graduate medical education          |

| University                                   | Contracting                  | Total                                                                                                             | Contract | New or  | Purpose of Contract/Summary                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Strategic Imperative                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|----------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|---------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Unit                                         | Party                        | Consideration                                                                                                     | Term     | Renewal | of Statement of Work                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|                                              |                              |                                                                                                                   |          |         | amount approved by the board was<br>\$535,700 (MO 250-2023).<br>This amendment will authorize<br>additional funding for the second<br>year of the contract to support the<br>Child and Adolescent Psychiatry<br>(CAP) Fellowship. Because the<br>amendment exceeds 10% of the<br>original contract value board<br>approval is required.                                     | residents and medical students in<br>a critically needed specialty in<br>support of imperative 3; and c)<br>increase the number of Texas<br>trained physicians to help<br>address the state's physician<br>shortage in support of imperative<br>5.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Undergraduate<br>Recruitment<br>and Outreach | College<br>Advising<br>Corps | \$1,623,954.67<br>(Revenue -<br>\$1,195,044.67<br>to Texas A&M<br>and<br>\$428,910.00<br>for education<br>awards) | 1 year   | Renewal | The agreement will provide<br>continued funding to the Texas<br>A&M Partner Program with<br>College Advising Corps for FY<br>2025. Texas A&M will place 58<br>recent graduates as College<br>advisers with underserved high<br>schools with the goal of providing<br>guidance and encouragement to<br>high school students in navigating<br>the college admissions process. | Approval of this agenda item<br>will advance A&M System<br>strategic imperatives 1, 3 and 6.<br>Specifically, this agenda item<br>will allow: a) qualified students<br>to find a place in the A&M<br>System and have an array of<br>pathways to pursue their<br>ambitions and interests; b)<br>students to leave the A&M<br>System as responsible and<br>engaged citizens prepared for<br>successful careers in an<br>increasingly global economy;<br>and c) the A&M System, in<br>adhering to the high standard of<br>excellence and growth, to display<br>prudent financial stewardship<br>and sustainability. |

## TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE BACKGROUND OF FACULTY RECOMMENDED FOR ACADEMIC TENURE TENURE LIST NO. 24-04

## COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES

| Name                                                                             | Present Rank<br><u>Department</u>                                                                                                        |              | Towards<br>enure*<br>  <u>Other Inst.</u>                   | Effective Date<br><u>Tenure</u>                      |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| Dr. Michael K. Schmit                                                            | Associate Professor<br>Counseling                                                                                                        | 2            | 5                                                           | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and Faculty<br>Arrival |
| Ph.D. (2016)                                                                     | Texas A&M University-Co                                                                                                                  | rpus Christi |                                                             |                                                      |
| Fa 2016 – Su 2018<br>Fa 2018 – Fa 2020<br>Sp 2021 – Fa 2021<br>Sp 2022 – Sp 2024 | University of North Texas<br>Texas A&M University-Commerce<br>Hazelden Betty Ford Graduate School<br>Hazelden Betty Ford Graduate School |              | Assistant Pr<br>Assistant Pr<br>Assistant Pr<br>Associate P | rofessor (2 years toward tenure)                     |

Dr. Schmit excels in scholarship in the larger realm of counseling and therapy. He has 22 peer-reviewed articles (and another in press), an academic book, a book chapter under contract, and numerous other encyclopedia entries and newsletter articles. Dr. Schmit is a strong classroom instructor. His teaching evaluation scores, for almost every course he has taught, are well above departmental and college standards. Dr. Schmit's service record is also strong. He has been both a reviewer and editor for journals in the counseling field and frequently serves as a program reviewer for professional conferences. Within his university settings he has served on numerous committees including being the accreditation liaison for both Higher Learning Commission and Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs.

Dr. Schmit's file does not include any information we believe to be inconsistent with System Policy *12.01*, Section 4.3.

## **COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES, SOCIAL SCIENCES AND ARTS**

|                   | Present Rank                          |              | Towards<br>enure* | Effective Date                                       |
|-------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| Name              | <u>Department</u>                     | <u>Univ.</u> | Other Inst.       | <u>Tenure</u>                                        |
| Dr. Joseph Romero | Professor<br>Literature and Languages | 0            | >15               | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and Faculty<br>Arrival |
| Ph.D. (1999)      | Duke University                       |              |                   |                                                      |

| Fa 2001 – Sp 2006 | University of Mary Washington | Assistant Professor                |
|-------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Fa 2006 – Sp 2015 | University of Mary Washington | Associate Professor (Tenured 2006) |
| Fa 2015 – Sp 2024 | University of Mary Washington | Professor                          |

Dr. Joseph Romero's research interests are in Higher Education Leadership, Hellenistic Greek and Latin Literature, and Literature's Engagement with Philosophy. His publication record includes several articles and serving as a co-editor for a book, as well as numerous presentations on the classics, philosophy and religion. In addition, he has an impressive service record in his department, college and university. He is an active member in professional organizations related to his field and has been selected to serve as a fellow with the American Philological Association, Duke University, and American Council on Education.

Dr. Romero's file does not include any information we believe to be inconsistent with System Policy *12.01*, Section 4.3.

|                                                                                  | Present Rank                                                                                 |              | . Towards<br>enure*                                              | Effective Date                                       |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| <u>Name</u>                                                                      | <u>Department</u>                                                                            | <u>Univ.</u> | Other Inst.                                                      | Tenure                                               |
| Dr. Erin Webster Garrett                                                         | Professor<br>Literature and Languages                                                        | 0            | >15                                                              | Upon Approval by the<br>Board and Faculty<br>Arrival |
| Ph.D. (2001)                                                                     | University of Denver                                                                         |              |                                                                  |                                                      |
| Fa 2001 – Sp 2007<br>Fa 2007 – Sp 2013<br>Fa 2013 – Sp 2018<br>Fa 2018 – Sp 2024 | Radford University<br>Radford University<br>Radford University<br>Virginia Commonwealth Univ | versity      | Assistant Profe<br>Associate Prof<br>Professor<br>Associate Prof | essor (Tenured 2012)                                 |

Dr. Erin Webster-Garrett has received consistently high teaching evaluations in courses spanning first-year writing through graduate courses in 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> century literatures in English. In addition, she received national recognition for teaching innovations in digital humanities and engaged learning. She oversaw more than 40 student independent projects each semester and has served as a faculty fellow mentor and as part of the Grace E. Harris Leadership network. She has been active in grant-writing, publishing and has been regularly involved in professional development activities related to research and teaching.

Dr. Webster-Garrett's file does not include any information we believe to be inconsistent with System Policy *12.01*, Section 4.3.

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# TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI BACKGROUND OF FACULTY RECOMMENDED FOR ACADEMIC TENURE TENURE LIST NO. 24-04

## **COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS**

|                   | Present Rank                 |             | rs. Towards<br>Tenure* | Effective Date   |
|-------------------|------------------------------|-------------|------------------------|------------------|
| Name              | <u>Department</u>            | <u>Univ</u> | <u>. Other Inst.</u>   | Tenure           |
|                   |                              |             |                        |                  |
| Dr. Kyoko Amano   | Professor                    | 0           | >15                    | Upon Approval    |
|                   | English                      |             |                        | by the Board and |
|                   |                              |             |                        | Faculty Arrival  |
|                   |                              |             |                        |                  |
| Ph.D. (2002)      | State University of New York | at Bing     | ghamton                |                  |
|                   |                              |             |                        |                  |
| Fa 2021 – Present | University of Houston-Victor | ia          | Professor              |                  |
| Fa 2017 – Sp 2021 | Lock Haven University        |             | Professor              |                  |
| Fa 2014 – Sp 2017 | University of Indianapolis   |             | Professor              |                  |
| Su 2008 – Sp 2014 | University of Indianapolis   |             | Associate Profes       | sor              |
| Fa 2003 – Sp 2008 | University of Indianapolis   |             | Assistant Profes       | sor              |

Dr. Kyoto Amano's research focuses on post-war Japanese and Japanese American literature. She has authored or co-authored four peer-reviewed journal articles, one book chapter, and several other items, including articles, creative non-fiction pieces, book reviews, and poetry. Dr. Amano has received \$287,000 as Principal Investigator (PI) or co-PI on internal and external grants, awards, and fellowships, including three National Endowment for the Humanities awards. She is working on a book project titled, *Atomic Bomb Literature in the U.S.* 

Dr. Amano teaches a variety of courses at the undergraduate and graduate levels, including honors project proposals, first-year literature and a study abroad course titled Hiroshima Peace. Her service includes advising Honors students. Her many administrative roles include serving as Dean at the University of Houston-Victoria (2021-present) and Lock Haven University (2017-2021). Prior to those positions, she served as Department Chair at the University of Indianapolis, where she earned the rank of full professor.

To the best of our knowledge, Dr. Kyoko Amano has behaved in a professional manner across her career and has not engaged in behaviors that may lead to dismissal for cause as specified in System Policy *12.01*, Section 4.3.

## **COLLEGE OF NURSING AND HEALTH SCIENCES**

|                                        | Present Rank                                                        | Yrs. Towards<br>Tenure* |                                  | Effective Date                                       |  |  |  |
|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Name                                   | <u>Department</u>                                                   | <u>Univ.</u>            | Other Inst.                      | Tenure                                               |  |  |  |
| Dr. Cathy L. Miller                    | Professor<br>Nursing and Health<br>Sciences                         | 3                       | 6                                | Upon Approval<br>by the Board and<br>Faculty Arrival |  |  |  |
| Post-Doctoral (2017)<br>Ph.D. (2014)   |                                                                     |                         |                                  |                                                      |  |  |  |
| Fa 2018 – Present<br>Fa 2015 – Sp 2018 | University of Texas at Tyler<br>Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi |                         | Professor<br>Associate Professor |                                                      |  |  |  |

Dr. Cathy Miller's research focuses on health-care related to trauma, resilience, child sex trafficking, and other gender-based violence. She has authored and co-authored seven peer-reviewed journal articles, multiple textbook contributions and other scholarly work. Dr. Miller has received \$506,200 as Principal Investigator (PI) or co-PI on internal and external grants, including one from the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, in the Department of Justice. In 2020, Dr. Miller was named a Nurses with Global Impact Honoree by the United Nations.

Dr. Miller teaches a variety of graduate courses in nursing and consistently earns excellent teaching evaluations. She is a member of the Board of Directors and serves as Director of Research and Scholarship for the United Nations Global Strategic Operatives for the Eradication of Human Trafficking. She also works on the prevention of human trafficking with multiple state and federal agencies. Dr. Miller was promoted to Professor and awarded tenure at the University of Texas at Tyler in 2018.

To the best of our knowledge, Dr. Cathy Miller has behaved in a professional manner across her career and has not engaged in behaviors that may lead to dismissal for cause as specified in System Policy 12.01, Section 4.3.

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# WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY BACKGROUND OF FACULTY RECOMMENDED FOR ACADEMIC TENURE TENURE LIST NO. 24-04

## SYBIL B. HARRINGTON COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS AND HUMANITIES

| Name                | Present Rank                   | Yrs. To      | owards Tenure*           | Effective Date                                       |  |  |
|---------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|--|--|
|                     | <u>Department</u>              | <u>Univ.</u> | Other Inst.              | <u>Tenure</u>                                        |  |  |
| Dr. Dan W. Peterson | Professor<br>Communication     | 0            | 13                       | Upon Approval<br>by the Board and<br>Faculty Arrival |  |  |
| Ph.D. (2002)        | Ohio University                |              |                          |                                                      |  |  |
| Fa 2002 – Sp 2007   | Missouri State University      |              | Assistant Professor      |                                                      |  |  |
| Fa 2007 – Sp 2024   | Oregon Institute of Technology |              | Professor (Tenured 2011) |                                                      |  |  |
| Su 2024             | West Texas A&M University      |              | Professor                |                                                      |  |  |

Dr. Dan Peterson has been hired and will be serving as the Dean for the Sybil B. Harrington College of Fine Arts and Humanities. Dr. Peterson has expertise in the discipline of communication. His research and teaching include communication pedagogy, interpersonal and organizational communication, and public speaking for adult learners.

To the best of our knowledge, Dr. Peterson has behaved in a professional manner across his career and has not engaged in behaviors that may lead to dismissal for cause as specified in System Policy *12.01*, Section 4.3.

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# **Disaster Recovery Loan Program Rule**

Revised: August 1, 2024 Approved May 14, 2020 Next Scheduled Review: August 1, 2029



# **Rule Summary**

- Texas Government Code, Sections 418.061 through 418.067 require the Texas Division of Emergency Management (Division) to develop rules to implement the Disaster Recovery Loan Program to provide short-term loans for disaster recovery projects in eligible political subdivisions.
- These rules provide the requirements for the implementation of the program.

# Definitions

- Eligible political subdivision means a county, municipality, or school district that:
  - is located wholly or partly in an area declared to be a disaster area by the governor or the president of the United States; and
  - $\circ$  before applying to the division for a loan under this subchapter:
    - has submitted to the division, within 15 days of the date of its adoption by the governing body of the political subdivision, the political subdivision's operating budget for the most recent fiscal year; and
    - has submitted an application for a loan from the Federal Emergency Management Agency's community disaster loan program;
  - an assessment of damages due to the disaster for which the declaration was made has been conducted in the political subdivision; and
  - the division, in consultation with the Federal Emergency Management Agency, will determine that the estimated cost to rebuild the political subdivision's infrastructure damaged in the disaster is greater than 50 percent of the political subdivision's total revenue for the current year as shown in the most recent operating budget of the political subdivision submitted to the division under this section.
- Disaster Recovery Loan Account means the account created in the general revenue fund with the comptroller and administered by the Division including money appropriated, credited, or transferred to the account by the legislature; money received by the Division for repayment of the loan principal and interest; gifts or grants contributed to the account; and interest earned on deposits and investments of the account. Funds in the account may only be used to provide short-term loans to eligible political subdivisions in the manner indicated in this rule.

#### 1. Disaster Recovery Loan Program

- 1.1 The Division must develop a loan program to provide short-term loans to eligible political subdivisions for disaster recovery projects.
- 1.2 The loans must meet the following conditions:
  - 1.2.1 the loan must be made at or below market interest rates for a term not to exceed 10 years; and
  - 1.2.2 the loan proceeds must be expended by the eligible political subdivision solely for the applicable disaster recovery project.
- 2. Application for Disaster Recovery Loan Program
  - 2.1 The Division must develop and maintain an application that provides sufficient information to verify the eligibility of the political subdivision and the applicable project for a loan.
  - 2.2 The application will be posted to the Division website.
  - 2.3 Determination of Eligibility of Political Subdivisions
    - 2.3.1 Eligible political subdivision means a county, municipality, or school district that:
      - a. is located wholly or partly in an area declared to be a disaster area by the governor or the president of the United States; and
      - b. before applying to the division for a loan under this subchapter:
        - 1. The political subdivision has submitted its operating budget for the most recent fiscal year to the division within 30 days of the date of its adoption by the governing body of the political subdivision; and
        - 2. has submitted an application for a loan from the Federal Emergency Management Agency's community disaster loan program;
    - 2.3.2 The political subdivision must show that an assessment of damages due to the disaster for which the declaration was made has been conducted in accordance with TDEM requirements in the political subdivision.
    - 2.3.3 The political subdivision must provide to the Division sufficient information to show that the estimated cost to rebuild the political subdivision's infrastructure

damaged in the disaster is greater than 50 percent of the political subdivision's total revenue for the current year as shown in the most recent operating budget of the political subdivision submitted to the division under this section.

- 2.4 The loan application will contain at a minimum the following items:
  - 2.4.1 A description of the disaster recovery project for which the applicant is requesting the loan;
  - 2.4.2 An estimate of the total cost of the project;
  - 2.4.3 A statement of the amount of federal money that the applicant will receive for the project, or, if that information is not available on the date the applicant submits the application, an estimate of the amount and the total requested amount;
  - 2.4.4 A statement of the amount of insurance collected for the damage to the original structure, if any;
  - 2.4.5 The revenue source from which payments on the loan principal and interest will be made.
  - 2.4.6 Evidence that the applicant has staff, policies, and procedures in place adequate to complete the project.
  - 2.4.7 The requested term of the loan, not to exceed ten years, and the requested amount of the loan.
  - 2.4.8 Proof of authority for the chief elected official of the political subdivision to enter into the loan agreement. (This can be a resolution from the political subdivision or minutes of a meeting authorizing the loan agreement or specific authorizing statute.)
  - 2.4.9 The signature of the chief elected official of the political subdivision authorizing the political subdivision to enter into the loan agreement with the Division.
- 3. Review of applications
  - 3.1 The Division will verify that the information contained in 2.3 and 2.4 above.
  - 3.2 The Division, in consultation with the Federal Emergency Management Agency, will verify the information contained in 2.3.3 above.
  - 3.3 Once the information in 3.1 and 3.2 is verified as accurate, the Division will determine the availability of funds in the Disaster Recovery Loan account to provide the loan.
- 4. Awarding of the Loan
  - 4.1 After verification of available funds and the verification of information in Section 3, the Division will evaluate currently viable applications on a first-come, first-served basis.

- 4.1.1 In the event that funds are not available to provide the loan, the Division must notify the local jurisdiction of the unavailability of funds.
- 4.1.2 If funds subsequently become available, all eligible and verified applicants will be notified, and the Division must make additional awards.
- 4.2 Based on the current market interest rates, the Division will determine the interest rate for the loan which will be at or below the market interest rate.
- 4.3 The Division will determine the term of the loan which must not exceed ten years.
- 4.4 If the term of the loan exceeds two years, the Division must notify the state auditor's office of the loan within 30 business days from when the loan is made.
- 5. Management of the Loan
  - 5.1 The Division must provide the political subdivision a loan agreement which will include all loan terms and repayment provisions.
  - 5.2 The political subdivision must have 60 days to accept the terms of the loan on the loan agreement provided by the division which must be signed by the chief elected official of the political subdivision and returned to the Division.
  - 5.3 The Division shall enter the loan terms into an accounting system which will track the principal and interest payments required.
  - 5.4 The political subdivision shall make annual repayments of the loan principal and interest to the Division. The political subdivision will receive an annual report on the loan balance and payments made.
  - 5.5 Missed Payment
    - 5.5.1 In the event that a political subdivision fails to make a scheduled payment on the loan, the Division must notify the political subdivision and chief elected official of the missed payment and request that the payment be made.
    - 5.5.2 If the political subdivision fails to make consecutive payments, the Division must notify the state auditor's office and take remedial actions as provided in Section 5.7.
  - 5.6 Loan Forgiveness and Revision of Loan Terms
    - 5.6.1 If the term of a loan from the account exceeds two years, the state auditor must, on the second anniversary of the date on which the eligible political subdivision received the loan, conduct a limited audit of the political subdivision to determine whether the political subdivision has the ability to repay the loan under the terms of the loan. The state auditor's participation under this provision is subject to approval by the legislative audit committee for inclusion in the audit plan under Texas Government Code Section 321.013(c).

- 5.6.2 The Division may forgive a loan made to an eligible political subdivision if the state auditor determines that the political subdivision is unable to repay the loan.
- 5.6.3 Once the state auditor has determined that the political subdivision does not have the ability to repay the loan, the Division must determine whether to reduce the payments on the loan to a level that is manageable by the political subdivision or to forgive the loan.
- 5.6.4 In the event that the Division chooses to renegotiate the loan terms made by the political subdivision, the Division must notify the political subdivision and negotiate a revision to the loan terms with the political subdivision.
- 5.6.5 If the political subdivision renegotiates the terms of the loan, the Division will revise the terms of the loan accordingly. The terms must take effect upon receipt by the Division of the new loan terms signed by the chief elected officer of the political subdivision.
- 5.7 Remedies for Default of Payment

In the event that a political subdivision that has been found to have the ability to repay the loan by the State Auditor fails to make payments, or does not make up missed payments, the Division may take such actions as are necessary to ensure the viability of the loan program. The Division may use such methods as are routinely used in statefunded loan programs.

- 5.8 Loan Closure
  - 5.8.1 Upon final repayment of the loan, the Division must send to the political subdivision notification of the closure of the loan.
  - 5.8.2 If the Division chooses to forgive a loan due to the political subdivision's inability to repay as determined by the state auditor's office, the Division must notify the political subdivision that the loan has been forgiven.

## **Related Statutes, Policies, or Requirements**

• <u>Texas Government Code Subchapter C-1</u>

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