RESOLUTION OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

REPRESENTATION OF LIBERAL STUDIES IN THE DEANS COUNCIL OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

WHEREAS, Liberal Studies ("LS") is an academic unit under the umbrella of the Faculty of Arts and Science ("FAS") comprised of a two-year Core Program and the four-year Bachelor of Arts degree; and

WHEREAS, LS has approximately 2,600 students, 84 full-time faculty, and 73 part-time faculty; and

WHEREAS, FAS designates one of its Full-Time Continuing Contract Faculty Senators Council seats to LS, and the LS Dean has traditionally participated in the Senate as an alternate for the FAS Dean; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of LS’s many important attributes of a college or school within the University, including, among other things, degree-granting status, infrastructure, unique identify, dedicated faculty, alumni, student council, and student life programing, in June 2018, the Board of Trustees, on the recommendation of the Senate, approved the addition of a regular Senate seat for LS students; and

WHEREAS, the Deans Council voted on November 28, 2018 and the Senate Committee on Organization and Governance voted on February 22, 2019 to recommend to the Senate that the LS Dean be granted a seat on the Deans Council of the Senate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Senate recommends to the University’s Board of Trustees that the University’s Bylaws be amended to add a seat for the LS Dean on the Deans Council of the Senate and to make such other changes to the Bylaws as are necessary to reflect this addition.