

## RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION

The University Senate of  
The Ohio State University

**Whereas**, President Kristina A. Johnson joined the Ohio State University in September 1, 2020 as an accomplished engineer, entrepreneur and national leader in higher education; and

**Whereas**, Kristina led the university through a series of difficult decisions in order to keep the university open and safe throughout the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**Whereas** Kristina, advanced the national standing of the university by setting an ambitious goal of doubling the research expenditures in 10 years. Our research expenditures have exceeded \$1B for the first time in school history in Fiscal years 2021 and 2022, raising our national research expenditure ranking from 24<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> among all US Universities; and

**Whereas** generations of future Buckeyes will graduate from The Ohio State University debt-free because of the Scarlet and Grey Advantage Scholarship program. The President and her wife Veronica Meinhard personally supported the scholarship program and led the campaign that raised \$125 M in the first year; and

**Whereas** Kristina identified bold and ambitious priorities to advance the mission of the university that included hiring 350 net new tenure track faculty to elevate the national stature of the university and to improve student learning and the student-to-faculty ratio; and

**Whereas** Kristina championed powerful private-public partnerships of industry, government and the academy leading to the largest corporate location decision in Ohio history with Intel committing to build a semiconductor manufacturing plant in central Ohio; and

**Whereas** Kristina has worked tirelessly to promote the university, and has added her personal touch in working with friends of the university that have led to record fundraising over the past several years including the largest donation in the history of The Ohio State University of \$110M by Ratmir Timashev to establish a Center for Software Innovation; and

**Whereas** Kristina has led the Ohio State University with courage, vision, and foresight, and provided three years of passionate commitment and steadfast advocacy for the university; and

**Whereas** Kristina has embraced shared governance, has been a tireless advocate for faculty, student, and staff initiatives, and has become a true friend;

**Therefore, let it be resolved** that **The University Senate**, on behalf of the faculty, students, staff and administrators of The Ohio State University, extend our thanks and appreciation to President Kristina A Johnson for her productive, intelligent and earnest leadership, enthusiasm, good humor, and vision for the university, and to extend our best wishes in all her future personal and professional endeavors.