

# UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF GEORGIA

## Board of Regents' November 14, 2023 Agenda

9:00 AM Executive & Compensation Committee Room 7007 Chairman Harold Reynolds

9:30 AM Call to Order Room 8003

Chairman Harold Reynolds

Invocation/Pledge

Chairman Harold Reynolds

Mr. George Moore, SGA President, University of Georgia

Safety Briefing

Chief of Police Mike Coverson

Approval of Minutes

Secretary Christopher McGraw

October 3rd/4th Minutes

Campus Spotlight - "Military Affairs in the University System of

Georgia"

Chairman Harold Reynolds

Joe Dan Banker (USŃ, Retired), Director, USG Military Affairs Gabriela Castillo, U.S. Army veteran, University of Georgia,

Undergraduate Student

Cheyenne Helsel, Captain, U.S. Army, Columbus State University,

Graduate Student

Jasarah Boynton, U.S. Army veteran, Georgia Southern University,

Undergraduate Student

Nadja Walrith, U.S. Army veteran, Gordon State College,

Undergraduate Student

9:50 AM Track I Committee Meetings: Academic Affairs Room 7007

Regent Lowery Houston May

10:00 AM Track I Committee Meetings: Organization and Law Room 7007

Regent Sarah-Elizabeth Langford

9:50 AM Track II Committee Meetings: Finance and Business Operations Room 8003

Regent Neil L. Pruitt, Jr.

10:00 AM Track II Committee Meetings: Real Estate and Facilities Room 8003

Regent T. Dallas Smith

10:15 AM Track II Committee Meetings: Internal Audit, Risk, and Compliance Room 8003

Regent James K. Syfan, III

10:35 AM Reconvene Room 8003

Chairman Harold Reynolds

Enrollment Update Chancellor Sonny Perdue

Dr. Angela Bell, Vice Chancellor of Research and Policy Analysis

Chancellor's Report Chancellor Sonny Perdue 11:05 AM

Committee Reports
A. Academic Affairs - Regent Lowery Houston May
B. Finance and Business Operations - Regent Neil L. Pruitt, Jr.
C. Internal Audit, Risk, and Compliance - Regent James K. Syfan
D. Organization and Law - Regent Sarah-Elizabeth Langford
E. Real Estate and Facilities - Regent T. Dallas Smith

Chairman's Remarks Chairman Harold Reynolds

**Unfinished Business** Chairman Harold Reynolds

**New Business** Chairman Harold Reynolds

> **Election of Officers** Chairman Harold Reynolds

Executive & Compensation Committee Report Chairman Harold Reynolds

Delegation of Authority Chairman Harold Reynolds

Petitions and Communications Secretary Christopher McGraw

11:25 AM **Executive Session** 

Chairman Harold Reynolds

11:40 AM Reconvene

Chairman Harold Reynolds

Presidents Emerita Chairman Harold Reynolds

Adjournment

Chairman Harold Reynolds

## **AGENDA**

## **EXECUTIVE AND COMPENSATION COMMITTEE**

## **November 14, 2023**

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## 1. <u>SACSCOC Self-Assessment Discussion</u>

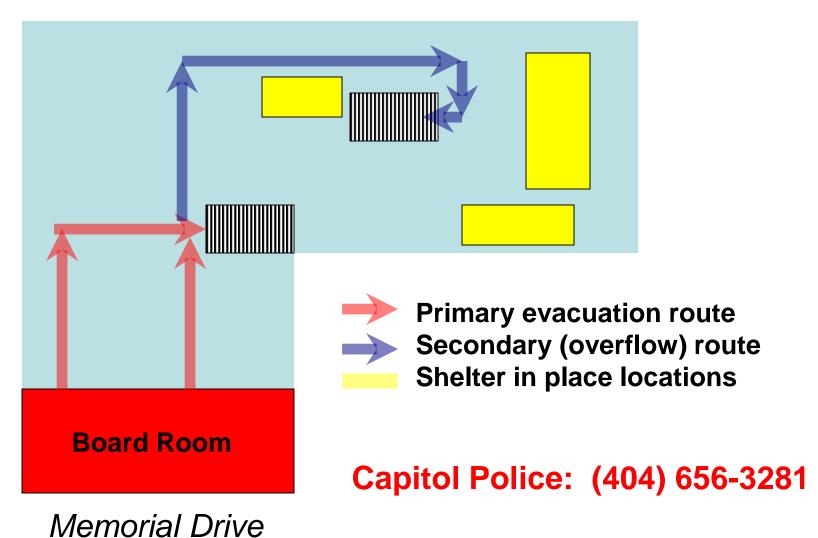
The Committee will discuss its periodic self-assessment pursuant to Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) requirements.



Washington Street

# Trinity Washington Building Evacuation Routes

Trinity Avenue 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Floor





# **Emergency Evacuation Assembly Areas**

Primary
Staging Area
Liberty Plaza

Trinity Avenue
Washington
Building

Capitol Avenue

Memorial Drive

Secondary Staging Area

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF GEORGIA Tifton, Georgia

October 3 – 4, 2023

## **CALL TO ORDER**

The Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia met on Tuesday, October 3 and Wednesday, October 4, 2023, in the Carlton Center, Second Floor, at Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College, 2802 Moore Highway, Tifton, Georgia, and simultaneously accessible by BOR Webcast. Board Chair Harold Reynolds called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. on October 3, 2023. Present on both days, in addition to Board Chair Reynolds, were Regents Doug Aldridge; Tom Bradbury; Richard T. Evans; W. Allen Gudenrath; Bárbara Rivera Holmes; Samuel D. Holmes; C. Thomas Hopkins, Jr.; James M. Hull; Patrick C. Jones; Jose R. Perez; Neil L. Pruitt, Jr.; T. Dallas Smith; and James K. Syfan, III. Vice Chair Erin Hames participated remotely on both days. Regent Cade Joiner was present on Tuesday, October 3, and participated remotely on Wednesday, October 4. Regent Lowery Houston May participated remotely on Tuesday, October 3, and was present on Wednesday, October 4. Regents C. Everett Kennedy, III and Sarah-Elizabeth Langford were excused on both days. Chancellor Sonny Perdue was also present on both days.

## INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Brooke Patry, Student Government Association President at Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College, gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **SAFETY BRIEFING**

Frank Strickland, Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College Chief of Police, gave the safety briefing.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Upon a proper motion and variously seconded, the Regents present voted unanimously to approve the minutes of September 8, September 25, and September 27, 2023.

# PRESIDENTIAL PRESENTATION AND CAMPUS SPOTLIGHT: "ABAC's 115-Year History and Mission: Engaging and Inspiring Students Through Hands-On Experiential Learning"

President Tracy Brundage of Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College ("ABAC") led the Campus Spotlight, "ABAC's 115-Year History and Mission: Engaging and Inspiring Students Through Hands-On Experiential Learning." President Brundage began the presentation by sharing background on ABAC. She shared that ABAC began classes in 1908 as an area high school known as the Second District Agricultural and Mechanical School. Dr. Brundage continued by stating that for any organization 115 years of continuous service is indeed a great accomplishment. She shared that Henry Harding Tift, founder of Tifton, once said his investment in the Second District Agricultural and Mechanical School was the best investment he made. President Brundage continued by saying that in 1924, the Second District Agricultural and Mechanical School became the South Georgia Agricultural and Mechanical College and when the University System of Georgia was formed in 1931, the college joined the newly formed University System of Georgia in 1933 and became Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College. Dr. Brundage continued by saying that the College was named after Abraham Baldwin, one of two Georgia signers of the U.S.

Constitution. She continued by saying that when classes started in 1933 with ninety-nine students, the president at the time said that the College's primary focus was to educate the students back to the farm. President Brundage acknowledged that ABAC has come a long way since its start and supported her comment by saying that the institution began offering bachelor's degrees in 2008 after 75 years as a two-year college. She added that the Georgia Museum of Agriculture became a part of ABAC in 2010, and in 2018, the former Bainbridge State College consolidated with ABAC.

Next, Dr. Mark Kistler, the Dean of ABAC's School of Agriculture and Natural Resources; Dr. Matthew Anderson, the Dean of ABAC's School of Arts and Science; Dr. Yvonne Smith, ABAC's RN-BSN Program Coordinator, for ABAC's School of Nursing and Health Sciences; and Dr. Renata Elad, the Dean of ABAC's Stafford School of Business addressed the Board and gave overviews of their respective schools. Following the faculty members presentations, ABAC students Mr. Andrew Waller, Livestock Production and Agribusiness Major; Ms. Ivey Cook, Agriculture Major; Mr. Grayson Peek, Biology Major; Ms. Delaney Garcia, Writing and Communication Major; Ms. Jennifer Highsmith, Nursing Major; and Ms. Brooke Patry, Business Major, gave presentations regarding their majors and experiences as students at ABAC.

## UNIQUE AUXILIARY UNITS PARTNER STUDENTS WITH COMMUNITY NEEDS

Ms. Deidra Jackson, Vice President of Finance and Operations, Abraham Baldwin Agriculture College, gave a presentation on Unique Auxiliary Units Partner Students with Community Needs. Ms. Jackson's presentation highlighted an overview of ABAC's unique auxiliary areas, such as, providing after school snacks for kids, a safe playground, train rides on Saturday morning with the family, and golf outings at the Forest Lakes Golf Course. She stated that ABAC's auxiliary services cater to a wide range of constituents in the Tifton community. She added that the Auxiliary services also includes housing, dining operations in ABAC's Georgia Grown dining room, the Stallion Shop, the Country Store, the Drugstore, the Forest Lakes Golf Course and Pro Shop, and the Georgia Museum of Agriculture. Ms. Jackson shared that all Auxiliary operations at ABAC, except for textbook sales, are operated by ABAC personnel.

## **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE: FINANCE AND BUSINESS OPERATIONS**

The Committee on Finance and Business Operations met as a committee of the whole at approximately 2:08 p.m. During its meeting led by Committee Chair Neil L. Pruitt, Jr. an information item was presented to the Board.

#### **INFORMATION ITEM**

1. The Committee heard an information item on the Fiscal Year 2023 Financial Update, specifically on the FY 2023 Budgetary Compliance Report (BCR).

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, and upon motion properly made by Regent James M. Hull and seconded by Regent T. Dallas Smith, the Regents who were present voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at approximately 2:23 p.m.

## **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE: ACADEMIC AFFAIRS**

The Committee on Academic Affairs met as a committee of the whole at approximately 2:23 p.m.

During its meeting led by Committee Vice Chair Samuel Holmes, upon motions properly made and seconded, the Board members present approved the following items:

## **ACTION ITEM**

1. Upon a motion by Regent Jose Perez and seconded by Regent Doug Aldridge, the Committee approved an establishment of a Ph.D., in Regenerative Biosciences at the University of Georgia

## **CONSENT ITEMS**

- 1. The Committee approved the establishment of the Annie and Zac Stanton Distinguished Professorship in Canine Welfare Law at the University of Georgia
- 2. The Committee approved several named faculty positions at the University of Georgia

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at approximately: 2:26 p.m.

## **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE: REAL ESTATE AND FACILITIES**

The Committee on Real Estate and Facilities met as a committee of the whole at approximately 2:26 p.m. During its meeting led by Committee Chair T. Dallas Smith an information item was presented to the Board and upon motions properly made and seconded, the Board members present unanimously approved the approval item.

## **INFORMATION ITEM**

1. Sandra Lynn Neuse, Vice Chancellor of Real Estate and Facilities, provided the Committee with an informational update on the capital project evaluation framework and the status of capital projects under design and construction across the University System of Georgia.

## **APPROVAL ITEM**

- 2. Upon a motion by Regent C. Thomas Hopkins, Jr., and seconded by Regent Jose R. Perez, the Committee approved the ranking of the design professional and construction management firms for project number J-415, Building #1013 (Poultry Science Complex) Renovation Phase I for the University of Georgia. The ranked design professional firms were:
  - 1) Flad Architects, Inc. (Atlanta)
  - 2) PRAXIS3, LLC (Atlanta)
  - 3) Walker Architects, Inc. (Atlanta)

The ranked construction management firms were:

- 1) Mathias Corporation (Lawrenceville)
- 2) DPR Construction (Atlanta)
- 3) Leapley Construction Group of Atlanta, LLC (Atlanta)

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, and upon motion properly made by Regent James K. Syfan, III and seconded by Regent Samuel D. Holmes, the Regents who were present voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at approximately 2:49 p.m.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Board Chair Reynolds called for an executive session at approximately 3:00 p.m. to discuss personnel matters. With a motion properly made and variously seconded, the Regents present voted unanimously to go into executive session. The executive session of the Committee on Organization and Law took place within the full Board executive session. An affidavit regarding this executive session is on file with the Office of the Secretary to the Board.

#### RECESS

On Tuesday, October 3, 2023, upon a motion properly made by Regent James K. Syfan, III and seconded by Regent Jose R. Perez the Board recessed for the day at approximately 3:37 p.m.

#### **RECONVENE**

On Wednesday, October 4, 2023, Board Chair Harold Reynolds called the meeting back into session at 9:01 a.m. and announced that no action was taken during the executive session.

#### **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE**

Brooke Patry, Student Government Association President at the Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College, gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **SAFETY BRIEFING**

Frank Strickland, Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College Chief of Police, gave the safety briefing.

## **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE: PERSONNEL AND BENEFITS**

The Committee on Personal and Benefits met as a committee of the whole at approximately 9:05 a.m. During its meeting led by Committee Chair Richard T. Evans, two information items and one approval item were presented to the Board and upon motions properly made and seconded, the Board members present unanimously approved the approval item.

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

- 1. Total Rewards Update
- 2. ABAC Human Resources Spotlight Student Employment and Minors on Campus Programs

#### **APPROVAL ITEM**

1. Upon a motion made by Regent Neil L. Pruitt, Jr. and seconded by Regent Jose R. Perez, the Committee approved the Proposed Revisions to the Board of Regents' Policies 6.10.1, 8.2.7, and 8.2.14 to align with changes in state and federal law.

## **ADJOURNMEN**T

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at approximately 9:44 a.m.

## **CORE CURRICULUM**

Dr. Ashwani Monga, Executive Vice Chancellor and Chief Academic Officer, presented an approval item, Core Curriculum. The presentation included the current Board of Regents' Policy 3.3.1 Core Curriculum, the rationale for revising the policy, and proposed revisions. Dr. Monga continued with an explanation of the benefits that the students will gain from the proposed revisions to the policy, such as adding meaning instead of A-E check boxes, USG-wide academic and career relevance that faculty can convey to students and employers, and helping students progress faster toward degrees.

Upon a motion made by Regent Bárbara Rivera Holmes and seconded by Regent Richard T. Evans, the Board unanimously approved the Proposed Amendments to the Board of Regents' Policy 3.3.1 Core Curriculum with full implementation by Fall 2024.

#### ACADEMIC INNOVATION & THE GEORGIA FILM ACADEMY

Dr. Art Recesso, Vice Chancellor for Academic Innovation, and Mr. Scott Votaw, Executive Director for Georgia Film Academy, gave presentations regarding Academic Innovation and the Georgia Film Academy. Dr. Recesso began his presentation by discussing that the Academic Innovation unit is a new unit created by the Chancellor a year ago. He continued by saying that its primary role is to function as the workforce development unit of the University System. Dr. Recesso explained that the focus of the unit is to bridge the gap between talent demand and talent development. He added that this focus is based on an analysis of labor data, partnering with employers to understand the demand, and collaborating with USG's institutions to build new degree programs that meet high demand career areas.

Next, Mr. Votaw gave a presentation regarding the Georgia Film Academy. He discussed the function of the Georgia Film Academy (GFA), referencing it as a "three system alliance." Mr. Votaw continued by saying that the GFA is housed at the Board of Regents, under the governance of Chancellor Perdue. He went on to say that GFA represents all the public colleges, universities, and technical colleges of Georgia. Additionally, Mr. Votaw shared that GFA has worked with the Georgia Department of Education to develop curriculum for high schools and middle schools. He explained that GFA has now created curriculum and programming that goes from middle school through the universities that aligns directly with industry standards that prepares students for real workforce opportunities. Mr. Votaw continued by saying that GFA has three main sectors which are as follows: creating micro certifications for students to take to their home institutions that count toward two-year and four-year degree programs; training students in film and television production, which includes, crafts on a film set, lighting, set construction, and rigging; and

postproduction. Mr. Votaw expressed that these certifications are meaningful because the industry will hire based on that certification.

#### **CHANCELLOR'S REPORT**

Chancellor Sonny Perdue gave his monthly report. He began by thanking President Brundage and the ABAC team for their hospitality. Chancellor Perdue also complimented President Brundage by saying that USG is lucky to have her and thanked her for her excellent leadership of a historic place of education. He continued by saying that what started more than one hundred years ago as the Second District Agricultural and Mechanical School is now a college with four distinct schools that produce the best agricultural experts and the best next business leaders, thinkers, and nurses. Chancellor Purdue also announced that that this fall almost 69% of ABAC students are pursuing four-year degrees.

Chancellor Perdue continued his report by sharing that ABAC ranked the number nineteen top public school among regional colleges in the South according to U.S. News and World Report and that its agriculture education program is not only the best in Georgia, but the largest program of its kind east of the Mississippi River. He went on to give reports regarding other institutions within the USG as rated by U.S. News and World Report as follows: Georgia State University ranked number two in the nation for Best Undergraduate Teaching; Georgia College and State University ranked in the top ten for "Most Innovative Schools" in the nation; Fort Valley State University ranked number one for public Historically Black College and University (HBCU) in Georgia for the sixth consecutive year and achieved the highest ranking in the state for social mobility among public regional universities; Dalton State College ranked number one in the nation for student experience, and ranked fifteenth for Best Undergraduate Teaching among 124 regional colleges in the South; The University of North Georgia among Georgia universities on US News' regional lists, ranked number one on the list of Best Colleges for Veterans and number one for Least Debt, which measures schools whose students graduated carrying the lightest debt loads and ranked number three on the Best Value Colleges list. In addition, the website Best Universities recently ranked Georgia Highlands College as having the third most affordable online bachelor's degree in criminal justice in the country; and Kennesaw State University's Coles College of Business is ranked twelfth among Executive MBA programs in the world by CEO Magazine. Chancellor Perdue continued by saying Georgia is one of only four states to have two institutions, the Georgia Institute of Technology and the University of Georgia, ranked among the top twenty best public universities in the nation according to US News & World Report. Additionally, Georgia Tech ranked as number thirty-six in the world according to Times Higher Education.

Chancellor Perdue went on to report that based on preliminary data, all USG's institutional sectors are up in enrollment. Comprehensive institutions are up the most in terms of numbers by close to 3,000 students, and state colleges are up the most in terms of percentage, with a 4.9% increase. He continued by saying that dual enrollment is up by approximately 3,000 students and there were increases in enrollment in all USG's institutions except for one. Chancellor Perdue also shared that USG has welcomed about 2,000 beginning freshmen this fall which is an increase of 3.8%, undergraduate enrollment is up by nearly 5,000 and graduate enrollment is up over 4,000.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was no unfinished business to come before the Board.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Upon a motion made by Regent Neil L. Pruitt, Jr. and seconded by Regent Lowery Houston May, the Board unanimously approved the proposed Board meeting dates for 2024.

Upon a motion made by Regent Tom Bradbury and seconded by Regent Lowery Houston May, the Board unanimously voted to appoint Dr. John Fuchko as the next president of Dalton State College effective October 5, 2023.

## **PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

Secretary to the Board Christopher McGraw announced that there were no timely petitions or communications for the Board to consider and that the next Board of Regents meeting will be held on November 14, 2023, at the Board's offices in Atlanta.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, and upon a motion properly made by Regent Richard T. Evans and seconded by Regent Bárbara Rivera Holmes, the meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Harold Reynolds
Chairman, Board of Regents
University System of Georgia

Christopher A. McGraw
Secretary, Board of Regents
University System of Georgia

## **AGENDA**

## COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

## **November 14, 2023**

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## 1. Degree and Major Termination Request, Georgia Southern University

**Recommended:** That the Board approve the request from President Kyle Marrero that Georgia Southern University terminate the following degrees, effective Spring 2024.

a. Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Radiologic Sciences

**Abstract**: The degree program has had zero enrollment for the past two to five years.

## 2. Institutional Mission Statement Reaffirmation Georgia Institute of Technology

**Recommended:** That the Board approve the request from President Angel Cabrera to reaffirm the Mission Statement of Georgia Institute of Technology, effective November 14, 2023.

<u>Abstract:</u> As part of Georgia Institute of Technology's 2025 SACSCOC reaffirmation, President Angel Cabrera requests a mission review. The BOR approved Georgia Institute of Technology's current mission on May 12, 2020. At this time, no revisions are requested, but only a review of the current mission, as it continues to align with the Institute's strategic plan and guides their daily work.

<u>GIT Mission Statement:</u> The Georgia Institute of Technology is a public research university established by the state of Georgia in Atlanta in 1885 and committed to developing leaders who advance technology and improve the human condition.

#### 3. Named /Endowed Faculty Positions

## **Establishments**

## **University of Georgia**

#### **UGA Foundation Professorship in Computing**

**Recommended:** That the Board approve the request of President Jere W. Morehead that the University of Georgia be authorized to establish the UGA Foundation Professorship in Computing, effective November 8, 2023.

<u>Abstract:</u> The University of Georgia Foundation has verified funding sufficient to establish the endowed position as required by the Board of Regents 8.3.2.3. The UGA Foundation has confirmed the funds available to support the establishment of more than \$250,000.

**Rationale:** The University of Georgia is requesting the establishment of the UGA Foundation Professorship in Computing. As requested by President Jere Morehead, this Professorship aims to enrich the School of Computing and will be jointly administered by the Franklin College of Arts and Sciences and the College of Engineering. A faculty member qualified for tenure at the full professor level and having an outstanding record in externally funded research and/or scholarly publications will be appointed.

The holder of the Professorship shall be engaged in teaching, research, public service, or a combination of such duties. The Deans of the Colleges will recommend fulfillment or continuance to the Provost every five years based on performance.

## **Dianne Isakson Distinguished Professorship**

**Recommended:** That the Board approve the request of President Jere W. Morehead that the University of Georgia be authorized to establish the Dianne Isakson Distinguished Professorship, effective November 8, 2023.

<u>Abstract:</u> The University of Georgia Foundation has verified funding sufficient to establish the endowed position as required by the Board of Regents 8.3.2.3. The UGA Foundation has confirmed the funds available to support the establishment of \$600,000.

**Rationale:** The College of Veterinary Medicine has completed arrangements for funding the Dianne Isakson Distinguished Professorship Fund. This professorship will honor Dianne Isakson and will be used to recognize outstanding contributions to research, teaching, and service at UGA.

Dianne Gay Davison Isakson was born on September 24, 1946. She is the daughter of a World War II naval aviator and sister to two brothers who both served in the Navy. Dianne earned her

Bachelor of Science in Education in Speech Education from the University of Georgia in 1968 where she was a member of Phi Mu sorority. Dianne has been very active in community and volunteer organizations and boards, including the Junior League, Southern Technical University and she was honorary co-chair for the Marietta Theatre improvement initiative in 2007, raising over \$1.3 million. She also chaired the US Senate spouses fundraiser in Washington, DC. Dianne was married to the late Senator John H. (Johnny) Isakson for over 50 years until his death in 2021.

The Dianne Isakson Distinguished Professorship will be housed in the College of Veterinary Medicine. A faculty member qualified for tenure at the full professor level and having an outstanding record in externally funded research and/or scholarly publications will be appointed.

## Johnny Isakson Distinguished Professorship

**Recommended:** That the Board approve the request of President Jere W. Morehead that the University of Georgia be authorized to establish the Johnny Isakson Distinguished Professorship, effective November 8, 2023.

<u>Abstract:</u> The University of Georgia Foundation has verified funding sufficient to establish the endowed position as required by the Board of Regents 8.3.2.3. The UGA Foundation has confirmed the funds available to support the establishment of \$600,000.

**Rationale:** The College of Veterinary Medicine has completed arrangements for funding the Johnny Isakson Distinguished Professorship Fund. This professorship will honor the memory of Senator John H. Isakson and will be used to recognize outstanding contributions to research, teaching, and service at UGA.

John Hardy "Johnny" Isakson was born in Atlanta, Georgia, on December 28, 1944. He graduated from the University of Georgia in 1966 with a Bachelor of Business Administration in real estate. Upon graduation, he joined the Georgia Air National Guard, serving from 1966 to 1972 and achieving the rank of Staff Sergeant. In 1967, Isakson began working for a real estate company, eventually serving as its President from 1979 to 1999.

Isakson's political career began in 1976, when he was elected to the first of seven terms in the Georgia House of Representatives. He served as the Republican minority leader in the Georgia House from 1983 to 1990. He was elected to the Georgia State Senate in 1993, where he served until 1996. He was appointed Chair of the state Board of Education by Governor Zell Miller in 1996 and served in that role until he was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1999. Isakson served as a U.S. Representative in the two succeeding Congresses and was elected to the U.S. Senate in 2004. He was reelected to the U.S. Senate in 2010 and 2016. Among his duties in the U.S. Senate, he served as Chair of the Committee on Veterans Affairs and Chair of the Select Committee on Ethics.

Isakson was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease in 2015 but continued to work in public service until his health compelled him to resign from the U.S. Senate on December 31, 2019.

The Johnny Isakson Distinguished Professorship will be housed in the College of Veterinary Medicine. A faculty member qualified for tenure at the full professor level and having an outstanding record in externally funded research and/or scholarly publications will be appointed.

## Thomas and Kristin Golub Professorship in Risk Management and Insurance

**Recommended:** That the Board approve the request of President Jere W. Morehead that the University of Georgia be authorized to establish the Thomas and Kristin Golub Professorship in Risk Management and Insurance, effective November 8, 2023.

<u>Abstract:</u> The University of Georgia Foundation has verified funding sufficient to establish the endowed position as required by the Board of Regents 8.3.2.3. The UGA Foundation has confirmed the funds available to support the establishment of over \$1,000,000.

Rationale: Thomas and Kristin Golub have gifted the Terry College of Business funds to create the Thomas and Kristin Golub Professorship in Risk Management and Insurance. The Terry College has provided a match to the gifted funds to create a total corpus of over \$1,000,000 for the fund. Graduating from the Terry College of Business in 1980 with a degree in Risk Management and Insurance, Thomas Golub has had an esteemed career and is grateful for the expertise he received from the RMI Department at Terry College. After obtaining an Executive MBA from Stanford, Thomas Golub worked for the Hobbs Group, LLC and Beecher Carlson. In 2014, he cofounded Blue Sky Risk and is currently CEO. Thomas Golub has been a consistent financial supporter of the Terry College and UGA since 1992.

The Professorship will be housed within the Terry College in the Insurance, Legal Studies, and Real Estate Department (ILSRE). A faculty member qualified for tenure at the full professor level and having an outstanding record in externally funded research and/or scholarly publications will be appointed.

## 4. Named Faculty Positions

**Institution:** Georgia State University **University Faculty's Name:** Nancy Kropf

Named Faculty Position: Kenneth D. Lewis Distinguished Chair in Interdisciplinary Health

**Studies** 

**Institution:** Georgia State University

University Faculty's Name: Charles Dhanaraj

Named Faculty Position: J. Mack Robinson Professorship

**Institution:** Augusta University

University Faculty's Name: Angello Lin

Named Faculty Position: Carlos and Marguerite Mason Distinguished Chair in Transplant

Surgery

**Institution:** University of Georgia

University Faculty's Name: Diana Downs Named Faculty Position: Regent's Professor

**Institution:** University of Georgia

University Faculty's Name: Amanda Murdie Named Faculty Position: Regent's Professor

Institution: University of Georgia

University Faculty's Name: Gagan Agrawal

Named Faculty Position: UGA Foundation Professorship in Computing

**Institution:** University of Georgia

University Faculty's Name: Svoboda (Bodie) Vladimirova Pennisi

Named Faculty Position: Vincent J. Dooley Professorship in Horticulture

**Institution:** University of Georgia **University Faculty's Name:** Hua Hsu

Named Faculty Position: Delta Air Lines Visiting Chair for Global Understanding

**Institution:** University of Georgia

University Faculty's Name: Jason Richardson

Named Faculty Position: Dianne Isakson Distinguished Professorship

**Institution:** University of Georgia

University Faculty's Name: Arthi Kanthasamy

Named Faculty Position: Johnny Isakson Distinguished Professorship

## **AGENDA**

## COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION AND LAW

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## 1. Honorary Degree Request: Georgia Institute of Technology

Georgia Institute of Technology President Ángel Cabrera seeks the Board's approval to award an Honorary Doctor of Philosophy Degree to Christopher C. "Chris" Womack.

#### Office of the President



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September 29, 2023

Chris McGraw, Esq. Vice Chancellor of Legal Affairs Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia Suite 7025 270 Washington Street, SW Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Mr. McGraw:

It is my pleasure to propose Christopher C. "Chris" Womack for an Honorary Doctor of Philosophy Degree to be awarded by the Georgia Institute of Technology on behalf of the Board of Regents during the December 2023 commencement ceremonies. A short biography is enclosed.

Mr. Womack is the president and chief executive officer of Southern Company and a leader in his community and beyond. He earned his bachelor's degree from Western Michigan University and his master's degree from The American University. Mr. Womack went on to work on Capitol Hill for the U.S. House of Representatives in Washington DC. He joined Southern Company in 1988 and has held increasingly responsible leadership positions within the company and its subsidiaries. In his current role, Mr. Womack effectively guides the leading energy provider that serves 9 million residential and commercial customers across the Southeast and beyond through its companies.

Mr. Womack is a civic leader, supporting and amplifying important work in fields such as energy and education. He has played a key role in the significant relationship between Southern Company and Georgia Tech. The Institute recognizes Southern Company and its subsidiaries as a corporate member of The Hill Society with Distinction, Georgia Tech's most prestigious donor recognition society. Mr. Womack's support of the mutually beneficial relationship between Southern Company and Georgia Tech has been instrumental in the strengthening of the two organizations. Through his extraordinary leadership in the energy sector and his national service, Mr. Womack has profoundly influenced our state, our region, our nation, and the world.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Ángel Cabrera

President

Enclosure

## Christopher C. "Chris" Womack

Chris Womack is the president and chief executive officer of Southern Company. A native of Greenville, Alabama, Mr. Womack holds a bachelor's degree from Western Michigan University and a master's degree from The American University. He completed the Stanford Executive Program in 2001. Mr. Womack worked on Capitol Hill for the U.S. House of Representatives in Washington DC, serving as a legislative aide for former Congressman Leon E. Panetta and as staff director for the Subcommittee on Personnel and Police for the Committee on House Administration. He went on to join Southern Company in 1988 and has risen through the corporate ranks to hold leadership positions within the company and its subsidiaries. In 2021, he was named chairman, president, and CEO of Georgia Power, which serves 2.7 million customers across the state. In 2023, Mr. Womack was named president and CEO of Southern Company. In this role, he guides the top energy provider that employs more than 27,000 and serves 9 million residential and commercial customers across the Southeast and beyond through its companies. Southern Company's mission is to provide clean, safe, reliable and affordable energy with excellent service. Through an industry-leading commitment to innovation, resilience, and sustainability, the company is taking action to meet their customers' and communities' needs while advancing their commitment to net zero emissions by 2050.

In recognition of his leadership and involvement with his community, Mr. Womack has received numerous honors, including being named on Black Enterprise's 100 Most Powerful Executives in Corporate America. He also received the Boy Scouts of America Whitney M. Young Award for Public Service; the Boy Scouts of America Silver Beaver Award; the Black Enterprise/Porsche Intelligent Performers Award; the National Award of Merit from Alpha Phi Alpha; and the SCLC Leadership Award, among other awards. Mr. Womack is a member of the board of directors of Essential Utilities, Inc., Georgia Ports Authority, and Invesco Ltd. He is past chair of the board of the East Lake Foundation and is on the national board of The First Tee. Mr. Womack also has chaired the Atlanta Convention and Visitors Bureau board and the Atlanta Sports Council.

Mr. Womack has played a key role in the longstanding, significant relationship between Southern Company and Georgia Tech. His guidance of the mutually beneficial relationship between Southern Company and Georgia Tech has been instrumental to the strengthening of the two organizations. Georgia Tech recognizes Southern Company and its subsidiaries as a corporate member of The Hill Society with Distinction, the Institute's most prestigious donor recognition society. Southern Company has provided transformative support across campus for undergraduate student scholarships, the College of Engineering, and energy and sustainability initiatives, among other areas of interest. The company has made a lasting impact on generations of Georgia Tech students, providing lifechanging educational opportunities for the leaders of tomorrow.

Through his extraordinary leadership in the energy sector and his national service, Mr. Womack has profoundly influenced our state, our region, our nation, and the world.

## 2. Honorary Degree Request: Fort Valley State University

Fort Valley State University President Paul Jones seeks the Board's approval to award an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters Degree to Alonzo Jones, Sr.



## OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

October 24, 2023

Dr. Sonny Purdue, Chancellor University System of Georgia 270 Washington Street, N.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30334

#### Dear Chancellor Purdue:

On behalf of the Fort Valley State University (FVSU) faculty and the FVSU Honorary Nominating Committee, I am requesting approval of the conferral of an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree to Alonzo Jones, Sr., at the December 9, 2023, FVSU Commencement Exercise. Dr. Jones holds an undergraduate degree in zoology from Fort Valley State University and a Doctor of Medicine degree from the Medical College of Georgia. Dr. Jones is one of five siblings who all have earned undergraduate degrees from Fort Valley State University (FVSU).

A skilled and compassionate physician and specialist in cardiovascular disease, Dr. Jones has dedicated his life to serving the Muscogee County community for more than 35 years. In 2021, Dr. Jones established the Alma Jones Endowed Professorship in Social Justice, in honor of his eldest sister and first family member to earn a college degree from FVSU and attend medical school. This same year, Dr. Jones spearheaded a family gift of \$700,000 to support the Christine and Willie C. Jones Amphitheatre named in honor of his late parents. In September of this year, Dr. Jones and his sister Dr. Alma Jones, '71, MD, MPH, MA, gifted \$1,000,000 to Fort Valley State University for the renaming of the student center, marking this as the largest gift from a living alumnus to FVSU.

His generous philanthropy and support extend well beyond Fort Valley State University. Dr. Jones and his wife (Kathy '83) support several nonprofit organizations in the Columbus, Georgia community including supporting scholarships for deserving students and mentoring youth through a Columbus golf program. Dr. Jones also serves as a Board Member of the Muscogee County Sherriff's Advisory Board, the Muscogee County Golf Authority Board, and Chairman of the Alana Eve Board. In addition, he currently serves on the FVSU Athletic Association Board of Directors.

In honor of his legacy of service and philanthropy, I eagerly nominate Dr. Alonzo Jones, Sr., for the Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree, at Fort Valley State University at the university's December 9, 2023, Commencement Exercise. For your review, I have also provided supporting documentation. If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Paul Jones President

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## 3. Executive Session

The Committee will enter executive session to discuss pending applications for review. These are made to the Board of Regents Office of Legal Affairs pursuant to Policy 6.26. Applications for Discretionary Review involve personnel matters and student records.

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## 1. <u>Information Item: Fiscal Year 2024 First Quarter Financial Update</u>

Vice Chancellor, Jeff Davis, will provide a financial update for the University System of Georgia for the FY 2024 first quarter.

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#### COMMITTEE ON REAL ESTATE AND FACILITIES

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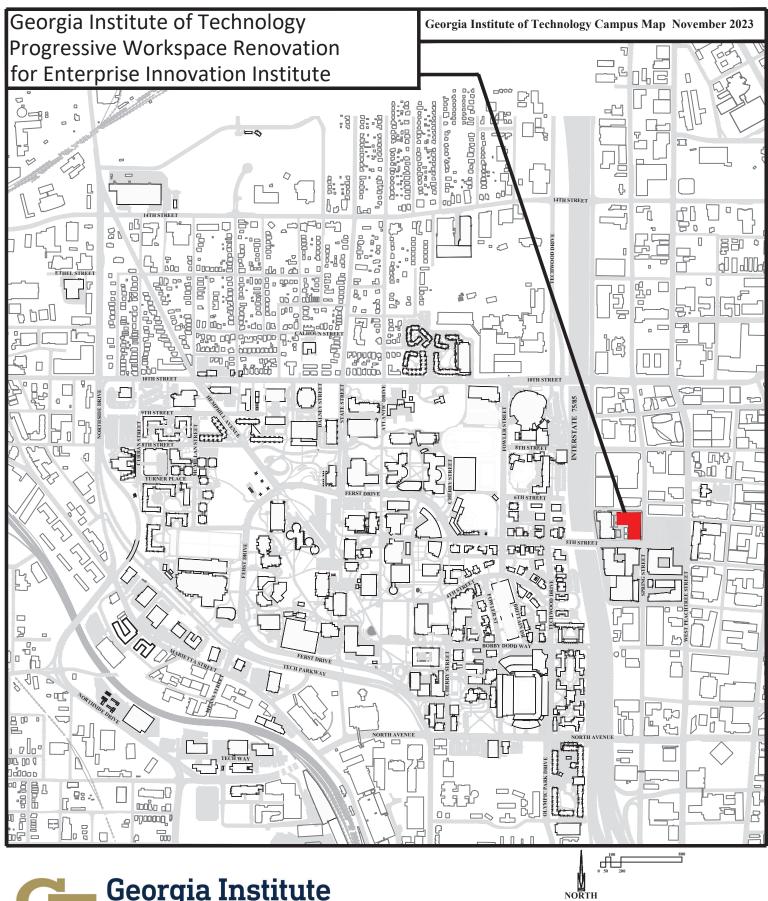
## 1. <u>Authorization of Project No. BR-30-2404, Progressive Workspace for Enterprise</u> Innovation Institute, Georgia Institute of Technology

<u>Recommended</u>: That the Board authorize Project No. BR-30-2404, Progressive Workspace for Enterprise Innovation Institute, Georgia Institute of Technology ("GIT"), with a total project budget of \$4,687,200 to be funded with institutional funds.

<u>Understandings</u>: GIT proposes to renovate approximately 14,800 rentable square feet ("RSF") of office space for its Enterprise Innovation Institute ("EII"), which occupies approximately 44,798 RSF in the Centergy One Building at 75 Fifth Street NW in Atlanta (the "Space"). At their meeting on May 16, 2023, the Board approved a new sublease for the Space that includes renewal options allowing GIT to continue its tenancy through December 2034.

The Space houses administrative support staff for EII's Advanced Technology Development Center, a technology business incubator that helps entrepreneurs take ideas from concept to product prototype to launch and ultimately to scale. The proposed renovation would create a combination of shared work, meeting, and collaboration spaces that would improve utilization and functionality to meet EII's anticipated growth and support its operations (the "Project"). GIT anticipates that the Project would enable EII to increase their staffing capacity within the Space by 45 employees and lower the square footage per employee from 165 to 107.

The estimated construction cost for this Project is \$3,013,000. If authorized by the Board, the University System Office staff and GIT will proceed with the design and construction of the Project in accordance with Board of Regents procedures.





# 2. <u>Authorization of Project No. BR-50-2401, Central Bus Facility, Georgia State University</u>

<u>Recommended</u>: That the Board authorize Project No. BR-50-2401, Central Bus Facility, Georgia State University ("GSU"), with a total project budget of \$6,370,000 to be funded with institutional funds.

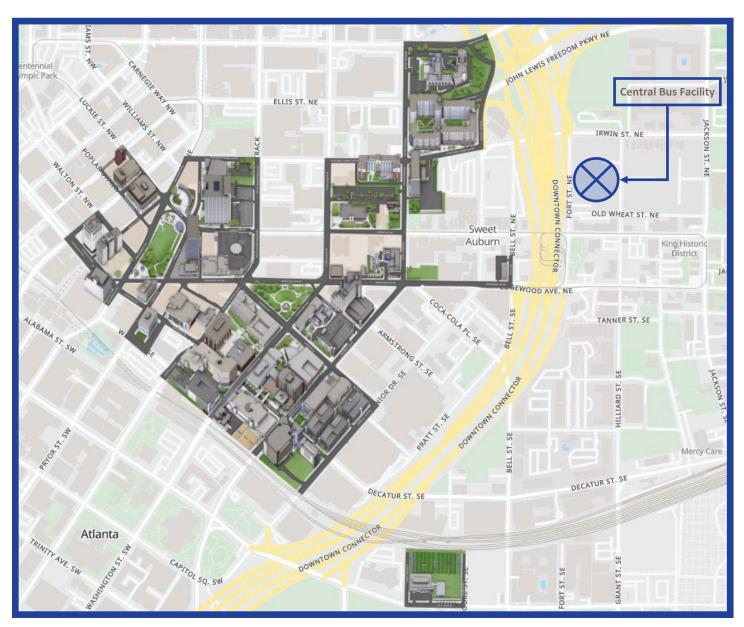
<u>Understandings</u>: GSU currently contracts with a third-party partner to provide fixed route transit buses and drivers for its downtown Atlanta campus. These buses are critical to optimizing the utilization of GSU facilities, including transporting students from satellite parking locations to the academic core. The bus fleet is beyond its useful life and buses are consistently out of service, which constrains GSU's ability to facilitate a predictable student experience, including getting to class on time. The aged fleet also causes a financial strain on the institution. In Fiscal Year (FY) 2023, GSU incurred over \$900,000 of unplanned expenses to contract with a different bus company to supplement the primary shuttle vendor when buses were out of service. Additionally, related fees for off-campus bus storage in FY 2023 totaled \$156,000, an amount that is expected to escalate approximately 3% annually.

As an alternative to paying for new buses as a pass-through cost from a third-party transit partner, GSU applied for and received \$22,300,000 in grant funding from the Federal Transportation Administration to purchase eighteen electric buses. With delivery of these buses expected around July 2025, GSU is requesting authorization to construct a bus depot totaling approximately 25,000 square feet to house and protect the new assets (the "Project").

The Project would be constructed on approximately 1.5 acres of vacant land owned by Board of Regents at 315 Irwin Street, just south of John Lewis Freedom Parkway and east of the Interstate 75/85 Connector. Housing up to twenty buses, the proposed facility would be covered, possibly with some enclosure walls. The Project would also include approximately 2,000 square feet of new administrative space, which would include several offices, a breakroom, restrooms, and a training room. The site would be improved with approximately forty staff/visitor parking spaces and secured with fencing and cameras. Upon completion, the Project would give GSU greater autonomy to control costs, optimize transportation resources, and enhance transportation reliability for students, faculty, and staff.

Estimated construction cost for this Project is \$4,950,000. If approved by the Board, the University System Office staff and GSU will proceed with the design and construction of the Project in accordance with Board of Regents procedures.

# Central Bus Facility



Atlanta Campus Map





## 3. <u>Authorization of Project No. BR-90-2402, Carmichael Student Center Renovation:</u> Welcome Center, Kennesaw State University

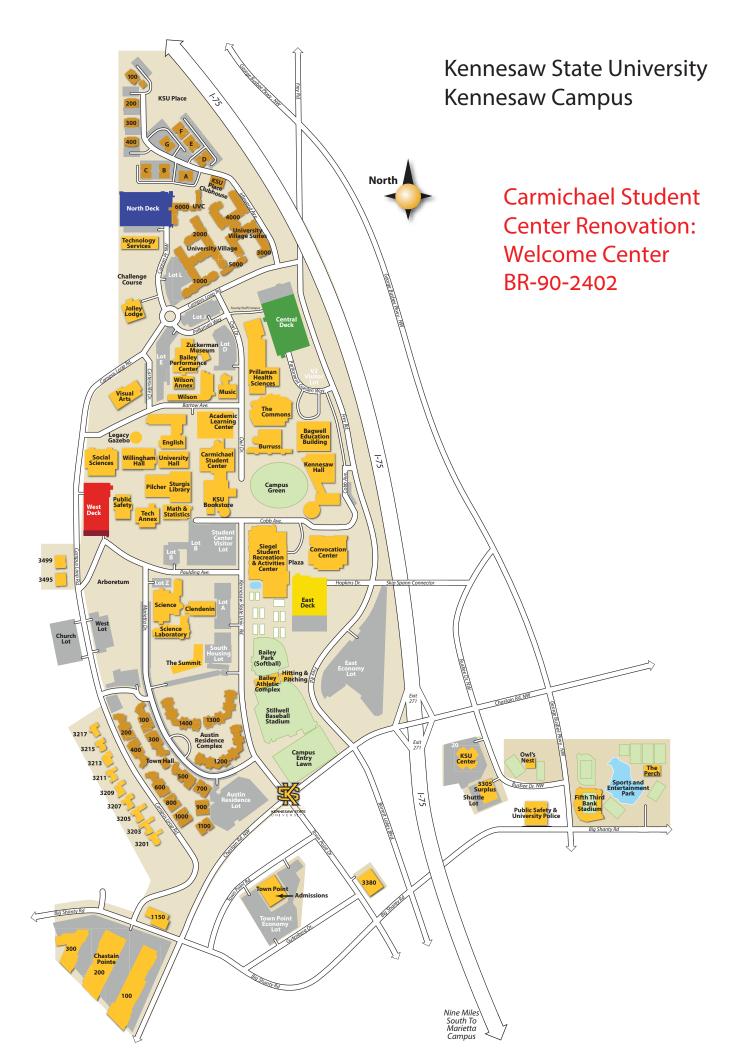
<u>Recommended</u>: That the Board authorize Project No. BR-90-2402, Carmichael Student Center Renovation: Welcome Center, Kennesaw State University ("KSU"), with a total project budget of \$2,500,000 to be funded with institutional funds.

<u>Understandings</u>: Located on KSU's Kennesaw Campus, the Carmichael Student Center (the "Student Center") opened its doors in 1975 and was later expanded in 2001 to house student organizations and meeting spaces (the "2001 Addition"). The Student Center is predominantly occupied by programming related to Student Affairs, which is complemented by the KSU Bookstore, The Market convenience store, and a retail dining location. The facility also includes collaboration, study, and special events space for students.

KSU lacks dedicated space to welcome prospective students and guests on the Kennesaw campus and recently completed a study to create dedicated space for this purpose. KSU is proposing to renovate approximately 6,500 square feet of space in the Student Center to house a welcome center (the "Project").

The Project would occupy approximately 3,500 square feet of the original structure and include a welcome lobby, visitor lounge with an interactive information exhibit, presentation room, and prospective student consultation areas. An additional 3,000 square feet would be renovated within the 2001 Addition to accommodate program relocations necessary to house the welcome center.

The estimated construction cost for this Project is \$1,920,000. The Project is consistent with KSU's master plan. If authorized by the Board, KSU will proceed with design and construction of the Project in accordance with Board of Regents procedures.



# 4. <u>Authorization of Project No. BR-10-2403, Center for Vaccines and Immunology, Phase III, University of Georgia</u>

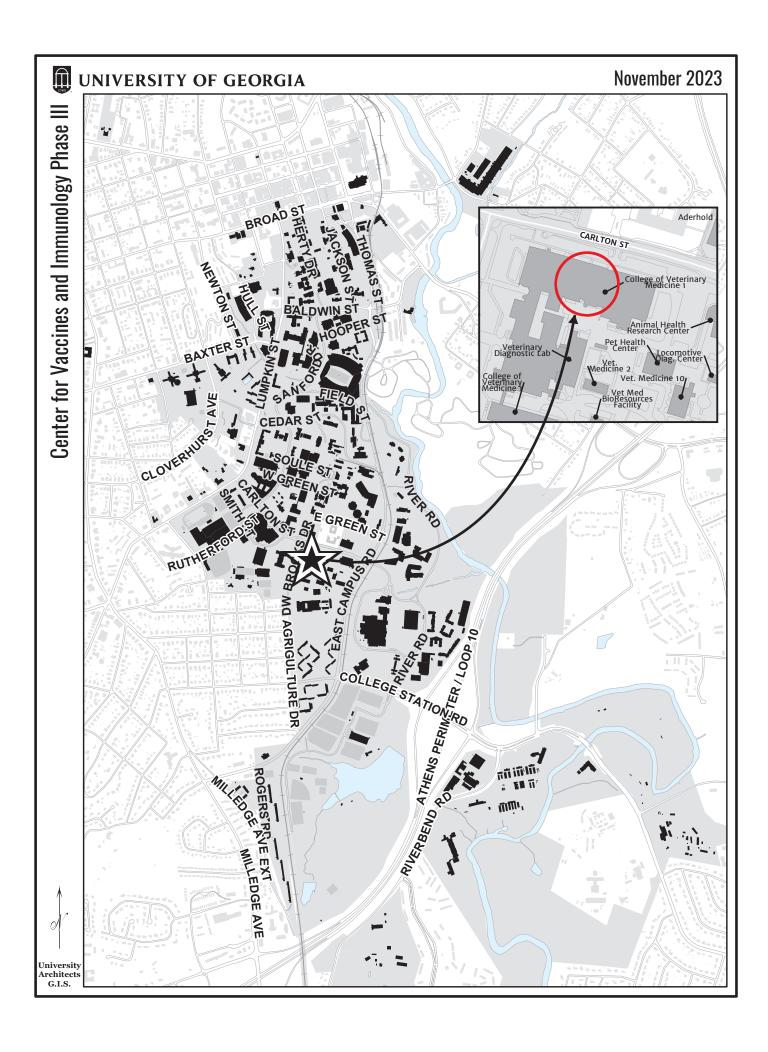
<u>Recommended</u>: That the Board authorize Project No. BR-10-2403, Center for Vaccines and Immunology Phase III, University of Georgia ("UGA"), with a total project budget of \$4,500,000 to be funded with institutional funds and Georgia Research Alliance funds.

<u>Understandings</u>: The Center for Vaccines and Immunology (the "CVI") is a unit of UGA's College of Veterinary Medicine's (the "CVM") Department of Infectious Diseases and is housed in the north wing of Building 1070 (the "Building") on the southern end of UGA's Athens campus.

The relocation of the Veterinary Teaching Hospital in 2015 enabled renovations of the Building in 2015 and 2017 to support the CVI's research needs. However, since that time research activity within the CVI has continued to grow, with total annual research activity for Fiscal Years 2021-2023 averaging nearly \$20,000,000.

The CVM's successful recruitment of highly funded faculty has significantly reduced available BSL-2 laboratory space within the CVI. As these limitations could hinder opportunities to grow externally sponsored research, UGA proposes to renovate approximately 6,100 square feet of contiguous space adjacent to the existing CVI laboratories to support up to five senior level faculty recruits (the "Project"). In addition to providing bench space for new faculty that focus on vaccine modeling associated with highly impactful infectious diseases, the Project would include associated tissue culture and equipment rooms. Additional improvements would include life safety upgrades and the renovation of adjacent restrooms for ADA compliance.

The estimated construction cost for this Project is \$3,040,000. The Project is consistent with UGA's master plan. If authorized by the Board, UGA will proceed with design and construction of the Project in accordance with Board of Regents procedures.



# 5. <u>Authorization of Project No. PPV-68-2301, Dining Hall Renovation, University of North Georgia</u>

Recommended: That the Board authorize Project No. PPV-68-2301, Dining Hall Renovation, University of North Georgia ("UNG"), with a total project budget of \$2,700,000 to be sourced from auxiliary funds.

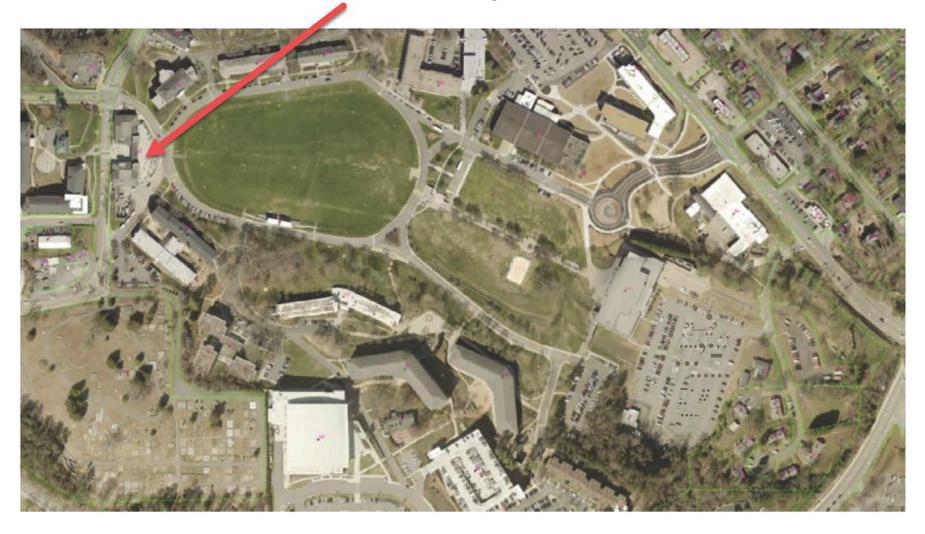
<u>Understandings</u>: Opened in August 2011 as a public-private venture ("PPV") project, the Dining Hall on UNG's Dahlonega campus has not had any significant renovation or refurbishment since its original construction. As one of the key hubs of student life and engagement on the campus, the Dining Hall regularly features more daily activity than any other location on campus. In response to a student-led initiative, UNG is proposing an aesthetic refurbishment of the Dining Hall's lower level, which encompasses approximately 15,000 square feet (the "Project"). Known as "Chow", this space currently accommodates approximately 644 diners and functions as the primary dining room and operations center for all UNG Dining services.

The Project would involve a reconfiguration of the current space to maximize capacity, improvements to circulation, addition of a new food station and food lines, and installation of fixtures and equipment that would promote healthier food options. The scope of the Project also includes the creation of three new meeting and study rooms from existing underutilized space, as well as the installation of new floor and wall coverings, lighting, and signage. In addition, the heating, ventilation, and air conditioning control systems would be evaluated to determine if air quality improvements should be included in a future project.

The estimated construction cost of the Project is \$2,100,000, with completion targeted for Summer 2024. If authorized by the Board, UNG will proceed with construction of the Project in accordance with Board of Regents procedures.



## PPV-68-2301 Dining Hall Renovation





#### 6. Naming Modification for Hannah Daniel Tennis Court, Georgia Southern University

<u>Recommended</u>: That the Board approve the naming modification of the Daniel Family Tennis Court at Georgia Southern University's ("GSOU") Statesboro campus as "Hannah Daniel Tennis Court" in recognition of the philanthropy of John and Debbie Daniel and to specifically honor their daughter, Hannah Daniel.

<u>Understandings</u>: President Kyle Marrero confirms that this naming conforms to GSOU's naming guidelines and with the Board of Regents naming policy.

In December 2021, the Board approved the naming of an outdoor tennis court in the Wallis Tennis Complex as the Daniel Family Tennis Court in recognition of the philanthropic support of John, Debbie, and Hannah Daniel. At that time, Hannah was a senior at GSOU and a member of the women's tennis team. John and Debbie Daniel had pledged a major gift of \$50,000 in support of GSOU athletics, which included \$30,000 for the women's tennis program and \$20,000 for the Anthony P. Tippins Family Training Facility. The Daniels subsequently requested that the name of the court be modified to honor their daughter.



## Naming Modification for Hannah Daniel Tennis Court, Georgia Southern University





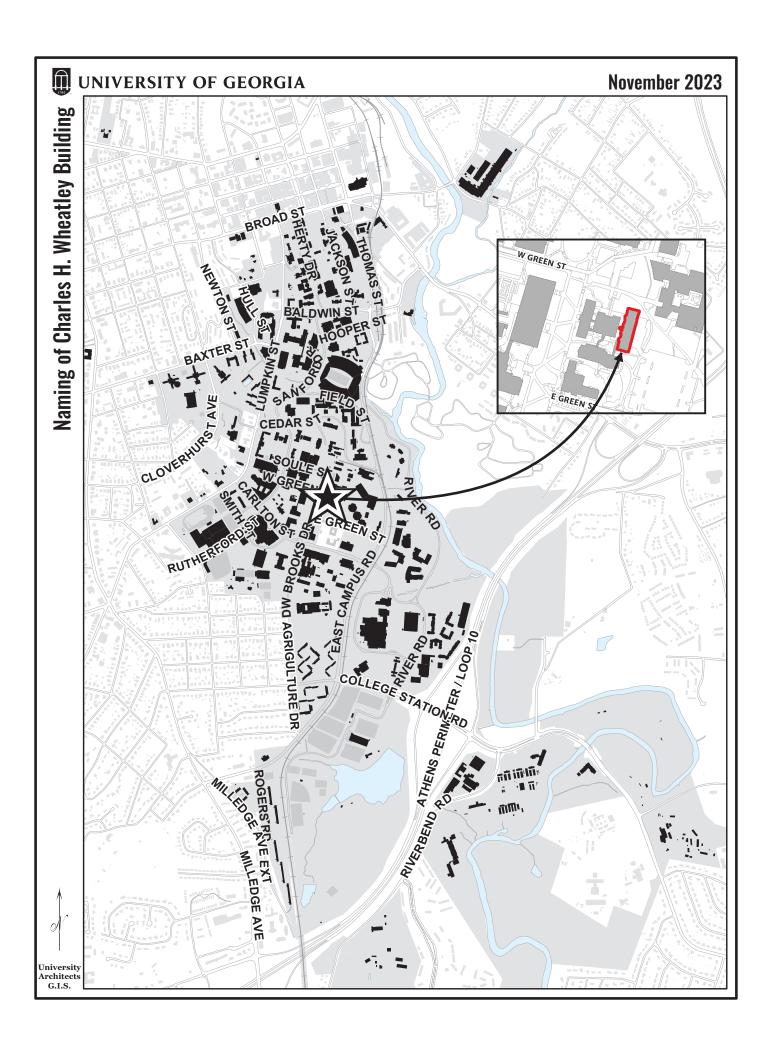
### 7. Naming of Charles H. Wheatley Building, University of Georgia

<u>Recommended</u>: That the Board approve the naming of the Forestry Resources 3 Building (Building #1044) on the University of Georgia's ("UGA") Athens campus as "Charles H. Wheatley Building" in recognition of the philanthropy of Charles H. Wheatley.

<u>Understandings</u>: President Jere Morehead confirms that this naming conforms to UGA's naming guidelines and with the Board of Regents naming policy.

A native and full-time resident of Americus, Charles H. Wheatley graduated from UGA in 1920 with a bachelor's degree in civil engineering. In 1989, he gifted approximately 2,500 acres of land located in Lee and Sumter Counties (the "Property") to the UGA Foundation (the "Foundation") for the benefit of the Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources (the "Warnell School"). Since that time, the Warnell School has invested more than \$1,300,000 in reforestation and forest management activities. During the Foundation's ownership, total net revenue generated from the Property exceeded \$7,000,000, primarily from timber harvesting and investment earnings. These funds have been used to support educational enhancements for the Warnell School, including outfitting and equipping a Geospatial Information Systems Lab and establishing an endowed distinguished professorship.

Valued at approximately \$8,500,000 at the time of the donation, the Property was sold for over \$18,000,000 in June of this year. Consistent with Mr. Wheatley's original intent, the net proceeds from the sale will be used to provide ongoing support for research, educational programs, and capital projects to benefit the Warnell School.



## 8. Naming of Thomas A. Fanning Student-Athlete Performance Center, Georgia Institute of Technology

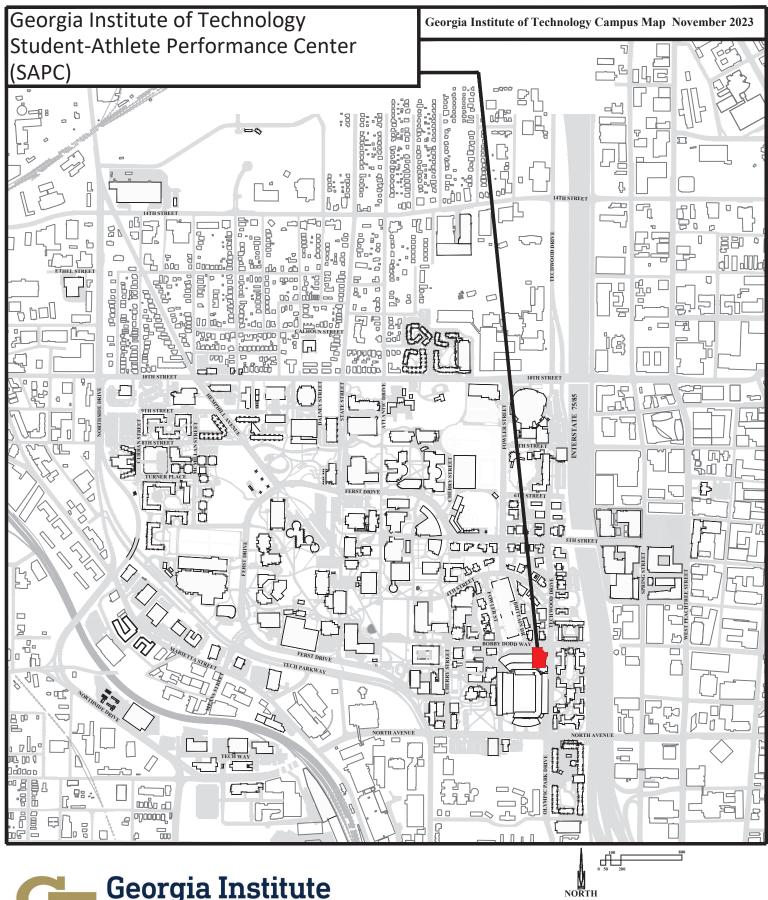
<u>Recommended</u>: That the Board approve the naming of the Student-Athlete Performance Center to be constructed on Georgia Institute of Technology's ("GIT") main campus as "Thomas A. Fanning Student-Athlete Performance Center" in honor of GIT alumnus Dr. Thomas A. Fanning.

<u>Understandings</u>: President Ángel Cabrera confirms that this naming conforms to GIT's naming guidelines and with the Board of Regents naming policy.

Dr. Fanning earned his bachelor's and master's degrees in industrial management from GIT and was awarded an honorary doctorate in 2013. He has demonstrated his deep appreciation and commitment to GIT through more than a decade of service on high-level advisory boards on campus, including the Georgia Tech Foundation, two campaign steering committees, the Georgia Tech Advisory Board, and the Alexander-Tharpe Board for athletics leadership. In addition, he has provided philanthropic support for an endowed scholarship in the Scheller College of Business and for GIT's athletic scholarships and programs.

A visionary leader in the energy industry, Dr. Fanning's 43-year career with Southern Company included serving as President and Chief Executive Officer from 2010 to 2023. He has also served on national energy boards, including the Electricity Subsector Coordinating Council, the Institute of Nuclear Power Operations, and the international advisory boards of the Atlantic Council and the American Energy Innovation Council.

Approved by the Board in April 2022, the Student-Athlete Performance Center will be constructed on the footprint of the existing Edge/Rice Center in the northeast corner of Bobby Dodd Stadium. The facility will directly impact student-athlete performance on a day-to-day basis, including areas for strength and conditioning, dining, nutrition, sports medicine, sport science, and data analytics.





## 9. <u>Acquisition of Real Property, 142 and 150 Oconee Street, Athens, University of Georgia</u>

<u>Recommended</u>: That the Board authorize the acquisition of approximately 0.897 acres of improved real property located at 142 and 150 Oconee Street in Athens (collectively, the "Property") for the use and benefit of the University of Georgia ("UGA"). The Property is comprised of two (2) contiguous parcels located along the southern side of Oconee Street and just east of South Thomas Street. The Property would be purchased from UGAREF Spring Street, LLC ("UGAREF") for \$2,895,000, the same price for which UGAREF acquired the Property in December 2021.

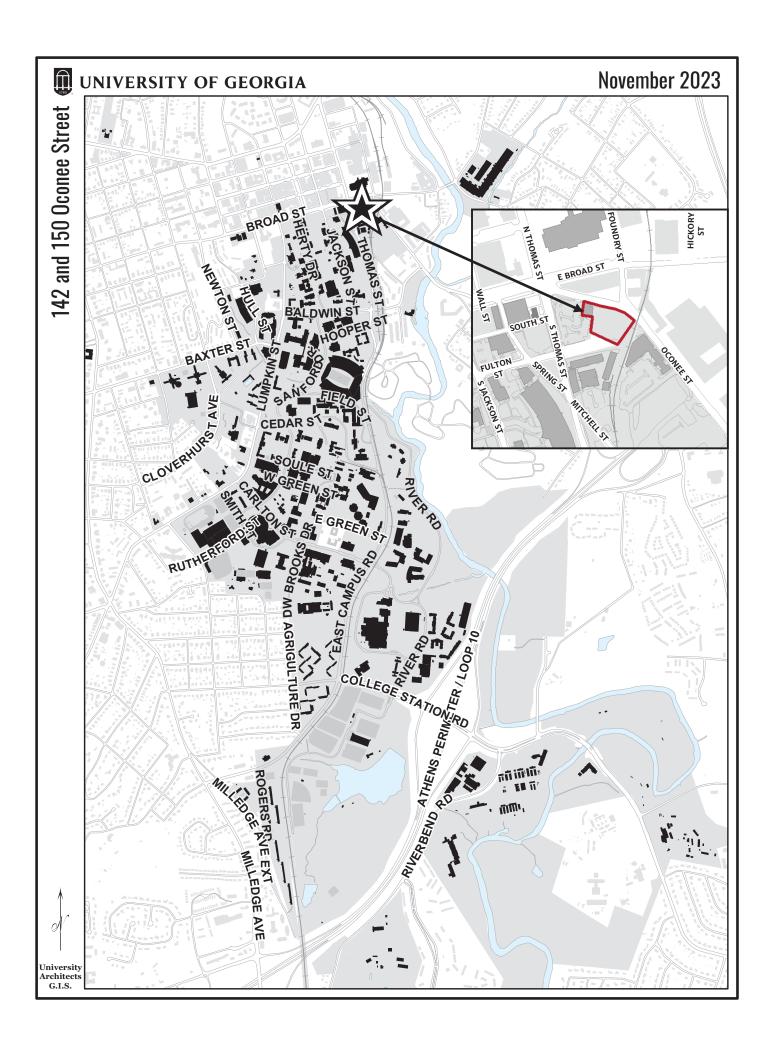
<u>Understandings</u>: The parcel located at 142 Oconee Street totals approximately 0.092 acres and is improved with a two-story brick building constructed in the mid-1920s and later expanded in the mid-1950s (the "Building"). Comprised of approximately 8,300 square feet of former retail and professional space above an unfinished basement, the Building has been vacant for decades and is in a state of significant disrepair. The remainder of the Property at 150 Oconee Street totals approximately 0.805 acres and is improved with an asphalt-paved parking lot with approximately 95 spaces.

Acquisition of the Property is consistent with UGA's master plan and would enhance UGA's control of land use in this section of campus. UGA would operate 150 Oconee Street as a permitted lot in its parking system. The Building is a candidate for demolition given its condition, which could require Board action at a future meeting. Should the structure be razed, UGA would likely use the cleared land for additional parking or incorporate it into future development of another adjacent property owned by the Board of Regents.

Three independent appraisals of the Property are as follows:

<u>Appraiser</u>	Appraised Value	<u>Average</u>
J. William Parker, MAI State Certified General Real Property Appraiser	\$3,280,000	
James T. Boswell, CCMI State Certified General Real Property Appraiser	\$4,410,000	\$4,016,666
E. Curtis Carter, SRA State Certified General Real Property Appraiser	\$4,360,000	

Acquisition of the Property would be subject to an environmental site assessment indicating that the site has no significant adverse environmental issues, or if environmental issues are identified, said issues can be mitigated prior to the purchase. There are no restrictions on the acquisition and no known reversions, restrictions, or adverse easements on the Property. UGA plans to fund the purchase of the Property with institutional funds.



### 10. <u>Development Agreement, Space Lease and Rental Agreement, Project No. J-348,</u> Expansion of Tech Square, Phase IIIA, Georgia Institute of Technology

Recommended: That the Board authorize the execution of a development agreement between the Board of Regents, as Owner, and Georgia Tech Facilities, Inc. or an affiliated special purpose entity created for the purpose of this transaction ("GTFI"), as Developer, for the construction of an approximately 415,000 square feet building located on the north side of Fifth Street between Spring and West Peachtree Streets with three larger floorplates at the bottom topped by two towers, one with 14 stories and the other totaling 18 stories sharing a combined common core in Technology Square (the "Building"), on the campus of the Georgia Institute of Technology ("GIT") for a guaranteed maximum price not to exceed \$164,000,000.

<u>Recommended further</u>: That the Board declare approximately 97,632 square feet of Building space (the "Space") to be no longer advantageously useful to GIT or the University System of Georgia, but only to the extent and for the purpose of leasing the Space to GTFI for the build out of the Space as a public-private venture project to support GIT (the "Project").

Recommended further: That the Board authorize the execution of a lease of the Project (the "Space Lease") and the grant of any necessary access and use easements between the Board of Regents, as Lessor and Grantor, and GTFI, as Lessee and Grantee, for a construction term not to exceed two (2) years and a primary term not to exceed thirty-one (31) years from the date the certificate of occupancy is obtained for the Project, along with an option to renew the Space Lease for up to an additional five (5) years should there be debt outstanding at the end of the primary term.

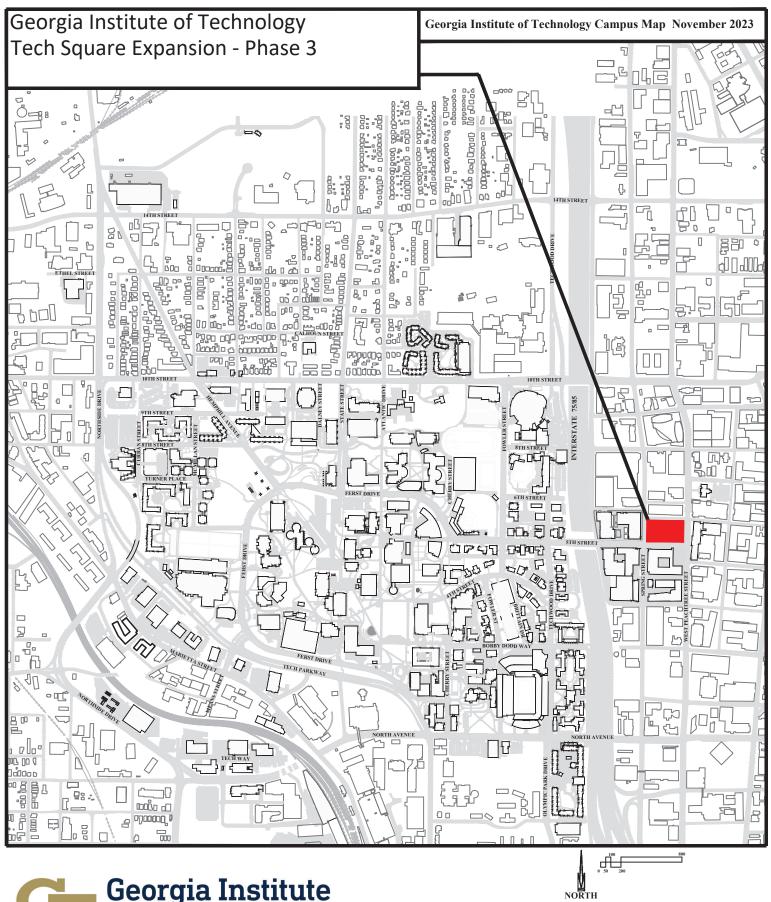
Recommended further: That the Board authorize the execution of a rental agreement for the Project between GTFI, as Landlord, and the Board of Regents, as Tenant, for the period commencing on the first day of the month after GTFI obtains the certificate of occupancy for the Project and ending the following June 30 at a base rent not to exceed \$4,600,000 per year, along with options to renew annually for up to thirty (30) consecutive one-year periods.

<u>Understandings</u>: The Building will house the H. Milton Stewart School of Industrial and Systems Engineering, graduate and executive education for the Scheller College of Business ("Scheller"), multiple floors of centrally scheduled classrooms, and a small group of other GIT units. The development will also include a large plaza with street-level retail and surface parking.

Located within the Space on the basement and first three floors of the Building, the Project would provide classrooms, collaboration spaces, common areas, and building services. GTFI plans to have bonds issued in January 2024 to fund the construction of the Project. With the Building scheduled to be completed in December 2025, GIT anticipates having use of the Project in January 2026.

Institution funds will be used to pay the costs of the rental agreement. Rent will include a capital reserve component. At the end of the term of the Space Lease and/or upon termination of financial

obligations, the Project and the Space (or portions thereof) and all associated real property, all improvements and any accumulated capital reserves will revert to the Board for the continued benefit of GIT.





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## COMMITTEE ON INTERNAL AUDIT, RISK, AND COMPLIANCE

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## 1. Executive Session

The committee will meet in executive session to discuss personnel matters.

### **Update to FY24 Audit Plan**

### COMMITTEE ON INTERNAL AUDIT, RISK, AND COMPLIANCE

We are making one adjustment to our FY24 audit plan to include the addition of one consulting engagement at the request of the Chancellor and Executive Leadership. We will be conducting a system wide review of the University System Office and our 26 institutions' compliance with the new and revised USG Human Resources policies that went into effect July 1, 2023. These policies were updated to ensure compliance with the revised Board of Regents Policy 6.5 - Freedom of Expression and Academic Freedom. The compliance review will begin in December 2023 with plans to conclude in March 2024. The focus of the review will be on the Employee Recruitment and General Criteria for Employment policies included in the USG Human Resources Administrative Manual.

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#### FALL STUDENT ENROLLMENT UPDATE

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### 1. <u>Information Item: Fall 2023 Student Enrollment Update</u>

Vice Chancellor for Research and Policy Analysis, Dr. Angela Bell, will provide an update on Fall 2023 student enrollment in the USG. The presentation will highlight current year changes and five-year trends in overall headcount and full-time equivalent enrollment as well as headcount broken down by student level and various demographic characteristics. The presentation will also include information on online course taking and retention and graduation rates.