WHEREAS, President Sue Edwards initiated a Bridge Strategic Planning process to guide the University in the changing educational landscape impacted by COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the University has identified five institutional objectives: (1) Student Success – Transformational Student Experience; (2) Advancing Knowledge through Research, Entrepreneurship, and Creative Endeavors; (3) Forging and Sustaining Strong, Collaborative Relationships; (4) Inclusive Excellence; and (5) Resource Management and Sustainable Operating Budget; and

WHEREAS, over 70 members of the campus community, including students, staff, faculty, and members of the Board of Trustees, collaboratively drafted strategies to achieve those objectives; and

WHEREAS, the President recommends adoption of the Bridge Strategic Plan, which she feels offers innovative ideas to build upon the existing strengths of the University while emphasizing the importance of students; therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the Board finds the 2023-2025 Bridge Strategic Plan responsive to the Board’s directives to the President, and in the University’s best interest; and be it further

RESOLVED that the President, or her designee, is authorized to implement the Bridge Strategic Plan into University operations; and be it further

RESOLVED that the Plan, incorporated in the Board’s meeting materials, is hereby endorsed and approved.