WHEREAS, The Wright State University Veterans and Military Center (VMC) supports veterans and military-connected students in achieving their educational and professional goals for the last ten years; and

WHEREAS, Wright State University was recently named a Collegiate Purple Star campus, signifying the University’s commitment to veterans, military-connected students, and their families; and

WHEREAS, The VMC is constructing the “VMC Champion Garden,” an outdoor pergola-style garden that honors student-veterans and those that support them; and

WHEREAS, Captain Shawn L. English commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Army on August 20, 1999 after serving as a cadet in the Wright State Army ROTC program; and

WHEREAS, Captain English was killed in action on December 3, 2006 while leading the Military Transition Team in Iraq; and

WHEREAS, the University and the VMC wish to commemorate Captain English’s service and sacrifice; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that on behalf of the entire University community, the Board expresses its deepest thanks and appreciation to Captain English and to his loved ones; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the VMC Champion Garden is designated, and shall hereafter be referred to as, the “Captain Shawn L. English Champion Garden.”