WHEREAS, the Wright Brothers, namesakes of Wright State University, were pioneers in aviation; and

WHEREAS, there exists a significant shortage of pilots nationwide, underscoring a dire workforce development need at both the local and national levels; and

WHEREAS, Wright State University is a regional university charged with developing academic programs for “in demand” workforce needs; and

WHEREAS, First Flight Aviation, a FAR-141 FAA Approved Flight School that trains the next generation of aviation professionals, desires to partner with Wright State University to provide Wright State students with the opportunity to earn academic credit while learning to fly; therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees authorizes the President, or her designee, to finalize and execute on behalf of the University an affiliation agreement with First Flight Aviation for the purpose of establishing this partnership on terms she deems commercially reasonable; and be it further

RESOLVED that once negotiated, the affiliation agreement will be presented to the Chair of the Board of Trustees and the Chair of the Finance, Audit, Governance, and Compliance Committee for review; and be it further

RESOLVED that the President, or her designee, is authorized and directed to take and perform all lawful actions she reasonably determines are appropriate to effectuate the Board’s directives herein.