

**THE FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

September 11, 2012

SUBJECT: Designation of Mr. S. Lawrence Kahn, III as Trustee Emeritus

Proposed Board Action:

Adopt the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, Mr. S. Lawrence Kahn, III began his involvement with Florida International University in 1999 as chairman of the President's Council (formerly known as Council of 100); and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kahn was instrumental in establishing the President's Council Outstanding Faculty Award (now known as the Worlds Ahead Faculty Award) which is a key initiative with a lasting impact on faculty recognition and retention; and

WHEREAS, in 2001, Mr. Kahn joined the FIU Foundation Board of Directors where he served dutifully for ten years in various capacities including as its chairperson from 2006-2008; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kahn also served as a member of the Board of Trustees of Florida International University (the BOT) from 2009-2011; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kahn's dedication to higher education was made evident in his leadership and service as the BOT's Chairperson of the Academic Policy and Student Affairs Committee; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kahn not only gave of his time and service as a member of various institutional volunteer leadership boards, he also made evident his support for the University in his generosity to the programs and research critical to FIU's advancement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the BOT hereby designates Mr. S. Lawrence Kahn, III as a Trustee Emeritus of this Board with all the rights, honors and privileges thereunto appertaining; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the University Administration take all actions necessary to give effect to this Resolution.

Background Information:

A: Authority:

Florida Statute 1001.74(1)(c) provides each university board of trustees with "the authority to govern its university as necessary to provide proper governance and improvement of the university in accordance with law and with guidelines of the Board of Governors."

Florida Board of Governors Regulation 1.001(1) delegates to each university board of trustees “all of the powers and duties necessary and appropriate for the direction, operation, management, and accountability of each state university.”

Florida International University Board of Trustees Operating Procedures, states in relevant part: *Article I, Special Members of the Board*

Following an individual's service as Chair or Trustee of the Board, the Board may designate such former Chair or Trustee as Chairperson Emeritus or Trustee Emeritus. The Board shall have the special member categories of Chairperson Emeritus and Trustee Emeritus for honorary purposes to recognize past Chairpersons and Trustees who have provided extraordinary service and contributions to the University and are no longer serving in that capacity.