

**THE FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

12 June 2009

SUBJECT: NAMING OF THE FIU UNIVERSITY PARK CAMPUS AS THE “MODESTO A. MAIDIQUE CAMPUS”

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION:

Adopt the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, President Modesto A. Maidique has faithfully served as President of the Florida International University since October 1986; and

WHEREAS, for more than two decades, President Maidique has demonstrated his strong and unyielding commitment to the University, leading the University’s historic transformation; and

WHEREAS, during President Maidique’s tenure, the FIU Carnegie Classification has risen from Comprehensive I to High Research Activity, as the number of research awards has grown by 526% and research funding has grown by 1,200%; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure, the University’s Doctoral programs have grown by 288%, doctoral degree production has grown over 6000%, the Masters programs have grown by 96%, the Bachelors programs have grown by 32%, and the University has awarded over 100,000 academic degrees; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure, the University established the College of Medicine, obtained LCME preliminary accreditation, and admitted the opening class of medical students scheduled to begin their medical education on August 4, 2009;

WHEREAS, during his tenure, the University established the College of Law, the School of Architecture, the College of Public Health and Social Work; the Honors College, the School of Journalism and Mass Communication, the School of Computer Science, and others; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure, the School of Hospitality and Tourism Management became one of the highest ranked hospitality management schools in the nation and opened a degree program in Tianjin, China; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure, the University’s Intercollegiate Athletics Program has grown in stature, by obtaining the fastest transition to Division 1-A of any Football program in the nation, by transitioning the Men’s Basketball program from Division 1-AAA level to Division 1-A; and achieving excellence in other programs, including Women’s Volleyball and Women’s Tennis; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure, the University completed the construction of the approximately 16,000 seat FIU Football Stadium and the Stadium Field House; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure, the University constructed the College of Law building, the Graduate Business School building, the School of Architecture building, the College of Education building, the Health and Life Sciences buildings I and II, the Ryder Business building, the Chemistry and Physics building, the Frost Art Museum, the Wertheim Performing Arts Center, the Wertheim Conservatory; the College of Nursing building currently under construction; the significant expansion of the Graham Student Center, the residential housing complex at University Park that houses over 2,000 students; Greek housing residential facilities; four parking garages, the Presidential House and other facilities at University Park, the acquisition of the Engineering Campus, and the construction of a number of facilities at the Biscayne Bay Campus such as the Kovens Conference Center and Marine Biology building; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure, the University has raised over \$355 million in cash charitable contributions and state matching funds to support the University's mission and students, and has raised over \$100 million in gifts in-kind, including the donation of The Wolfsonian Museum building and Collection; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure, the University created the International Hurricane Research Center and other academic and research centers and institutes; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure, the University grew from 1,691 employees to 5,157; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Florida International University Board of Trustees ("the BOT"), does hereby recognize, commend and express its gratitude to President Modesto A. Maidique for his passion, immeasurable contributions and uncompromising dedication to FIU;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the BOT approves the naming of the FIU University Park Campus as the "Modesto A. Maidique Campus," provided, however, that during Dr. Maidique's lifetime, the BOT may reconsider any naming recognition in the same manner as the University has routinely reserved in other occasions where naming rights have been conferred.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the BOT directs the University Administration to 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."

EXHIBITS/SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION:

- N/A

FACILITATOR/PRESENTER:

- David Parker, *FIU Board of Trustees
Chairman*