RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION

WHEREAS, Glen J. Rivera has been a member of the Utah Board of Higher Education, representing the technical education students of the Utah System of Higher Education since 2020, and has served as a member of the Technical Education Committee and the Student Affairs Committee; and

WHEREAS, Rivera served as the Board’s first Student Representative for Technical Education after the merger of the state’s two higher education systems in July 2020; and

WHEREAS, his work as a student Board member includes selecting and evaluating institutional presidents, setting policy, reviewing programs and degrees, approving institutional missions, and submitting a unified higher education budget request to the governor and Utah State Legislature; and

WHEREAS, he has earned certificates in culinary arts, meat services, and welding from Bridgerland Technical College, where he also was selected as Student of the Year for 2019-20; and

WHEREAS, Rivera’s leadership, program mastery, and passion for guiding and helping his fellow students led him to the opportunity to student teach for Bridgerland Technical College; and

WHEREAS, Rivera had a successful military career and retired as a United States Army Staff Sergeant before coming to Bridgerland Technical College; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Rivera was a major voice in conversations impacting technical education during his tenure on the Board and played a key role in providing insights from technical college students; and

WHEREAS, Glen Rivera contributed to the Board of Higher Education and the Utah System of Higher Education by bringing his personal experience and views and was a passionate advocate for higher education and the students of the Utah System of Higher Education;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Utah Board of Higher Education, joined by the Commissioner of Higher Education and his entire staff, and institution presidents, faculty, staff, and students who have worked with Glen J. Rivera, hereby extend sincere expressions of appreciation and respect, and wish him the very best in his future endeavors.

Dated this 21st day of May 2021.

Harris H. Simmons, Chair
Utah Board of Higher Education

Dave R. Woolstenhulme
Commissioner of Higher Education