

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION

WHEREAS, Nina R. Barnes has been a member of the Utah Board of Higher Education since 2012; and

WHEREAS, she is currently vice chair for the Board and has served on its Executive, Academic and Student Affairs, Finance and Facilities, Capital Facilities, Conflict of Interest, and Audit Review committees, as well as the Board Transfer Council and the former Mental Health and Safety Councils; and

WHEREAS, Barnes also served as the vice chair for the Utah Higher Education Assistance Authority's Board of Directors and as a member of the Governor's Excellence in Education committee; and

WHEREAS, her work as a 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, she served on the Cedar City Council from 2005–2013, operates several businesses, and is involved in various community affairs; and

WHEREAS, she previously served as a member of the Southern Utah University Board of Trustees, the Southern Utah Foundation, and the Anne & Dixie Leavitt Foundation; and

WHEREAS, she is active in numerous local organizations including serving as a victim advocate for the Women & Children's Crisis Center and is a founding member of the Cedar City Children's Justice Center Friends Board and founding president of the American Children's Christmas Festival; and

WHEREAS, she is currently serving on the Larry Miller Utah Summer Games Board of Commissioners and on the Board of Real Women Run and Envision Utah and is the vice president of the Utah Federation of Republican Women; and

WHEREAS, she currently teaches as an adjunct professor at Southern Utah University in the political science department and operates K&N Investments; and

WHEREAS, she has a bachelor's degree from Brigham Young University and a Master of Public Administration from Southern Utah University; and

WHEREAS, Nina R. Barnes diligently attended to her duties as a Board member and contributed to the Board of Higher Education and the Utah System of Higher Education by bringing her personal experience and views;

NOW, 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 Nina R. Barnes, hereby extend sincere expressions of appreciation and respect, and wish her the very best in her future endeavors.

Dated this 20th day of May 2022.

Harris H. Simmons, Chair
Utah Board of Higher Education



Dave R. Woolstenhulme
Commissioner of Higher Education