

## **RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION**

*WHEREAS, Aaron V. Osmond has been a member of the Utah Board of Higher Education since 2020; and*

*WHEREAS, Osmond served as vice chair of the Board of Higher Education, a post he has held since 2020; and*

*WHEREAS, his 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, prior to Mr. Osmond's appointment to the Board of Higher Education, he was vice chair of the Board of Trustees of the Utah System of Technical Colleges, a post he held from 2018 to 2020; and*

*WHEREAS, he is a passionate advocate of the importance of access to technical education programs for students in both the public and higher education systems in the state of Utah; and*

*WHEREAS, from March 2011 until December 2015, Mr. Osmond served as a Utah State Senator representing District 10 (Herriman, South Jordan, and West Jordan areas); and*

*WHEREAS, during his time in the Legislature, he served on the Public Education Appropriations Committee, the Higher Education Appropriations Committee, and served as chair of the Public Education Standing Committee, and served as chair of the Economic Development & Workforce Committee; and*

*WHEREAS, he has a bachelor's degree in business management from the University of Phoenix and a Master in Business Administration from Brigham Young University; and*

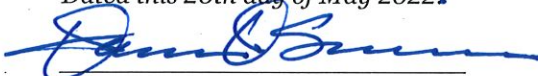
*WHEREAS, Mr. Osmond is currently working as the US Lead for the Education to Workforce Team at Amazon Web Services as part of their Global Public Sector division; and*

*WHEREAS, he has diligently worked to promote higher education and especially technical education in Utah and has led the Board in considering and adopting many key initiatives, ultimately for the benefit of all Utah students; and*

*WHEREAS, Mr. Osmond served the Board of Higher Education with distinction, and made contributions to the Utah System of Higher Education through his experience, input, and guidance;*

*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 Aaron V. Osmond, hereby extend sincere expressions of appreciation and respect, and wish him the very best in his 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