

THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

Office of the Board of Regents

Office of the Chancellor

January 8, 2019

Members, Board of Regents
The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Adoption of a Resolution Pledging the Perpetual Commitment of The Texas A&M University System to Honor the Life and Legacy of President George H.W. Bush

Approval by the Board of Regents of the following resolution honoring the life and legacy of President George H.W. Bush is recommended:

“WHEREAS, President George Herbert Walker Bush lived a life that exemplified Texas A&M University’s core values; and

WHEREAS, the example set by George H.W. Bush, both as a private citizen and as a public servant, serves to instruct future generations seeking to develop the character required to serve the greater good; and

WHEREAS, George H.W. Bush believed that ‘public service is a noble calling and we need men and women of character to believe that they can make a difference in their communities, in their states and in their country’; and

WHEREAS, George H.W. Bush set a standard of EXCELLENCE in public service that lives on in the George Bush Award for Excellence in Public Service given by the George H.W. Bush Presidential Library Foundation; and

WHEREAS, George H.W. Bush’s public career and private life were guided by his deep sense of personal INTEGRITY, from his enrollment in the U.S. Navy as the youngest aviator in World War II, during which he earned the Distinguished Flying Cross, to his time as President of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, George H.W. Bush’s LEADERSHIP was bold enough to envision a world ‘free from the threat of terror, stronger in the pursuit of justice and more secure in the quest for peace - a world in which nations recognize the shared responsibility for freedom and justice. A world where the strong respect the rights of the weak’; and

WHEREAS, George H.W. Bush’s LOYALTY to his wife of 73 years, Barbara Pierce Bush, his family and his nation should continue to inspire future generations; and

WHEREAS, George H.W. Bush’s RESPECT for others and their views revealed itself in his constant personal courtesy best exemplified by his collaborative approach to international diplomacy; and

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WHEREAS, George H.W. Bush was the last veteran of World War II to serve as President of the United States of America, and his sense of SELFLESS SERVICE was a constant motivation throughout an extraordinary career of a statesman who helped guide the nation and the world out of the decades-long Cold War while greatly reducing the threat of nuclear annihilation; and

WHEREAS, not only was George H.W. Bush one of the greatest presidents in our nation's history, he was also one of the finest men to serve our country in so many ways; and

WHEREAS, George H.W. Bush chose Texas A&M University as the site location of his Presidential Library; and,

WHEREAS, George H. W. Bush's extraordinary relationship with Texas A&M University produced a generation of principled public servants who graduated from the Bush School of Government and Public Service before securing positions across local, state and national government organizations; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that The Texas A&M University System is proud to call him a son of Texas A&M University and hereby resolves to do everything in its collective power, through the Bush School of Government and Public Service and the George H.W. Bush Presidential Center including his Presidential Library and Museum, to keep his memory and inspiring accomplishments alive for all time; and, be it, further

RESOLVED, that this resolution be included in the minutes, and official copies thereof be signed by the Chairman of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, and be presented to the Archives of The Texas A&M University System as a permanent mark of the respect of this Board of Regents for the life and work of the late President George H.W. Bush.

ADOPTED, this 17th day of January 2019.”

Respectfully submitted,

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Charles W. Schwartz
Chairman, Board of Regents

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John Sharp
Chancellor

Approved for Legal Sufficiency:

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Ray Bonilla
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