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**MEMORANDUM**

**April 28, 2026**

**TO: Members of the Board of Trustees**

**FROM: Dr. John B. King Jr., Chancellor**

**SUBJECT: Special Service Commendation of Trustee and President of the Student Assembly, Luca Rallis**

**Action Requested**

The proposed resolution honors Luca Rallis' exceptional service to the State University of New York and its students.

**Resolution**

I recommend that the Board of Trustees adopt the following resolution:

**Whereas** Luca Rallis has served as Trustee and President of the Student Assembly since June 1, 2025; and

**Whereas** Trustee Rallis has been an active student leader, serving on the State University of New York at Stony Brook Undergraduate Student Government (USG) Senate for two terms before joining USG's Office of University Affairs; and

**Whereas** Trustee Rallis was also a member of the University Senate Executive Committee, the Board of Directors of the campus's auxiliary services corporation, and several other campus governance organizations; and

**Whereas** While serving Stony Brook University, Trustee Rallis co-authored a transformative course retake policy, a change lauded

by university leadership as a model for shared governance and student engagement; and

**Whereas** prior to serving as President, Trustee Rallis was SUNY SA's Executive Director of Policy and Government Relations. In this role and as President, he organized and led student delegations to meet with state legislators and executive branch officials during the legislative session, communicating student perspectives on critical issues such as cost of attendance, capital funding, and access to support services. ; and

**Whereas** during his tenure as Student Assembly President, Trustee Rallis's resolve and advocacy on behalf of all students have earned the utmost respect of his peers and activated an engaged SUNY student body. Trustee Rallis has also demonstrated exceptional leadership, namely in organizing and executing the annual Advocacy Day Conference, empowering SUNY student leaders to engage directly through over 90 legislative meetings with 100+ students in attendance where they worked to advance critical student priorities; and

**Whereas** Trustee Rallis's contributions as a Trustee have established a strong foundation that positions the next administration to achieve meaningful and effective policy change; now, therefore, be it

**Resolved** that the Board of Trustees of the State University of New York recognizes the valuable contributions to the State University by Trustee Rallis and wishes him the best in his future endeavors.