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MEMORANDUM

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TO: Members of the Board of Trustees

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

SUBJECT: Naming of an Endowed Chair in the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences at the State University of New York at Buffalo

Action Requested

The proposed resolution names the Meherwan and Zarine Boyce Chair in Fluid Mechanics at the State University of New York at Buffalo.

Resolution

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

Whereas the late Dr. Meherwan Boyce and his wife, Mrs. Zarine Boyce credit the State University of New York at Buffalo for creating the foundation for his distinguished career in engineering and transformative leadership in the power-generation industry; and

Whereas in recognition of his outstanding achievements and contributions in his field, Dr. Boyce was honored with UB's Clifford C. Furnas Memorial Award for Outstanding Engineering Alumni in 2016; and

Whereas Mrs. Boyce remains committed to preserving and promoting the legacy of Dr Boyce, a globally respected authority in aviation, power, and petroleum engineering; now, therefore, be it

Resolved that, in recognition of the philanthropic commitment by Mrs. Zarine Boyce, the Meherwan and Zarine Boyce Chair in Fluid Mechanics at the State University of New York at Buffalo be, and hereby is, approved.

Background

Mrs. Zarine Boyce is the co-founder along with her late husband Dr. Meherwan Boyce of the Boyce Consultancy Group, which specializes in forensic engineering for the turbomachinery and power generation industries and provides services for gas turbine acceptance testing, failure investigation, and performance analysis. Dr. Boyce was a 1964 MS Mechanical Engineering graduate from UB's School of Engineering and Applied Sciences. Prior to his death, Dr. Boyce served on the UB School of Engineering and Applied Sciences Dean's Advisory Council and was the recipient of the Clifford C. Furnas Award in 2016, which is bestowed annually to a distinguished alumnus of the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences or the College of Arts and Sciences.