

## MEMORANDUM

June 29, 2020

**To: Members of the Board of Trustees**

**From: Kristina M. Johnson, Chancellor**

**Subject: Special Service Commendation for SUNY Purchase Interim President Dennis Craig**

### Action Requested

The proposed resolution honors Dennis Craig's exceptional service to SUNY Purchase.

### Resolution

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

Whereas Dennis Craig has served SUNY Purchase since August 2018 as Officer-in-Charge, then since August 2019 as Interim President; and

Whereas under Interim President Craig's leadership, SUNY Purchase has achieved many significant forward growth, including:

- working with Shared Governance, established a series of standing meetings between Executive Committees' of the Purchase College Senate and the Faculty at Large with the President's Cabinet;
- deployment of the police body camp program for UPD;
- gave his full commitment to a number of issues and programs such as Presidential Search, Diversity Equity Inclusion – Dismantling Hate program, Purchase Pulse – a survey at the beginning of his term which asked for feedback PRODiG, Town Halls

for Students and Faculty/Staff, and focused on enrollment/admissions;

- working with the new College Council and Council Chair;
- spearheading response to Covid-19;
- has worked selflessly with the full support of the cabinet and trust in him has been rewarded time and again; and
- has focused to improve communications and transparency during difficult times with governance and the community as whole; now, therefore, be it

Resolved that the Board of Trustees of the State University of New York recognizes Interim President Dennis Craig's outstanding leadership at SUNY Purchase and wishes him the best as he resumes his responsibilities as Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management.