Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees
January 15, 2013

SUBJECT: Resolution of Appreciation for Trustee Larry Hart (FGCU Board of Trustees 2001 – 2012)

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Approve resolution

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Trustee Larry Hart was a founding member of the Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees in July 2001 and served to June 2012. During this period, he held the positions of Chair of the Academic/Student/Faculty Affairs Committee; Board Vice Chair, and Board Chair. Trustee Hart’s term concluded due to his gubernatorial appointment as Interim Tax Collector for Lee County, necessitating his resignation from the Board. He subsequently was elected as Tax Collector for Lee County, and the proposed resolution is in appreciation for his leadership and service to Florida Gulf Coast University and the Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees.

Supporting Documentation Included: Resolution of Appreciation

Prepared by: Chief of Staff & University Spokesperson Susan Evans

Legal Review: N/A

Submitted by: Chair Robbie Roepstorff and President Wilson Bradshaw
A Resolution of the
Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees

WHEREAS, in 2001 there was created a new system of K-20 seamless education for the State of Florida, which included installation of the Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, in 2001 Founding Trustee Larry Hart was named to the Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees, a position he held until June 2012; and

WHEREAS, during this period Trustee Larry Hart held the Board’s positions of Chair of the Academic/Student/Faculty Affairs Committee; Board Vice Chair, and Board Chair, and represented the Board on many occasions including as a longstanding member of the Faculty Excellence Awards Selection Committee; and

WHEREAS, Founding Trustee Larry Hart served with great distinction in his leadership positions on the Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees for more than 11 years – a period of time signified by tremendous growth in the University’s student enrollment; campus development for buildings and facilities; faculty and staff; inventory of academic degree programs; intercollegiate athletics including a move to NCAA Division I membership; student organizations and activities; residential housing for students, and community outreach and service to the Southwest Florida region and the State of Florida;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees wishes to express appreciation for Founding Trustee Larry Hart’s outstanding leadership and service, and wishes to recognize his commitment to Florida Gulf Coast University and its students of today and for generations to come.

DULY ADOPTED THIS 15th DAY OF JANUARY IN THE YEAR 2013.

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Robbie B. Roepstorff, Chair, Florida Gulf Coast University