RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION TO DOROTHY HORRELL

Whereas, Dorothy Horrell served with distinction as the Chancellor for the University of Colorado Denver since January 2016;

Whereas, After Chancellor Horrell began her role in 2016, CU Denver opened Comcast Media & Technology Center, a collaboration between the College of Engineering, Design and Computing and the College of Arts and Media, and fundraising reached an all-time high of nearly $19 million;

Whereas, In 2017, the School of Education and Human Development and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences launched ThinqStudio and named its first Faculty Fellows, the School of Public Affair’s Master of Criminal Justice online program ranked 13th nationally and was one of the top three programs in the Western U.S., and CU Denver created the Office of Digital Education with CU Anschutz Medical Campus;

Whereas, Chancellor Horrell continued to oversee success at CU Denver in 2018 with the opening of CityCenter as the campus’s front door to the community, opened the Lola & Rob Salazar Student Wellness Center, received CU Denver’s largest-ever estate gift for the College of Architecture and Planning, and broke ground for the Jake Jabs Event Center;

Whereas, In 2019, under Chancellor Horrell’s leadership, CU Denver graduated the largest class in its history, fully implemented a new incentive-based budget model, completed renovation of Campus Village (now called Lynx Crossing), launched YOU@CU Denver to support student wellness, and named its first cohort of TIAA Chancellor’s Urban Engaged Scholars;

Whereas, Chancellor Horrell’s unmatched focus on the success of CU Denver students is evident in the launching of the UNPARALLELED Student Experience, in making LynxConnect a reality, and in increasing financial aid from $8.9 million in 2016 to $12.6 million in 2019 -- an increase of more than 41%;

Whereas, CU Denver benefited from Chancellor Horrell’s focused commitment on innovation with an entrepreneurial spirit and from her visionary leadership for the possibilities of the Auraria Campus, industry partnerships, and its world-renowned partner CU Anschutz Medical Campus;

Whereas, Chancellor Horrell’s lifelong commitment to post-secondary education and the betterment of Coloradans extends beyond CU Denver to her leadership of Red Rocks Community College and the Colorado Community Colleges System, the Colorado State University Board and the Bonfils-Stanton Foundation, along with service on multiple board and nonprofit organizations throughout the Denver metropolitan area;

Whereas, CU is grateful for Chancellor Horrell’s leadership through an unprecedented and historic global pandemic in the final months of her chancellorship;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED The Board of Regents of the University of Colorado thanks Chancellor Dorothy Horrell for her service to the university and to the state upon her retirement in 2020.

FURTHER RESOLVED That Dorothy Horrell be granted the title of Chancellor Emerita of the University of Colorado Denver.

Hereby adopted by the University of Colorado Board of Regents on June 18, 2020

Glen H. Gallegos
Chair, Board of Regents