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June 4, 2015

Morteza Hosseini, Chair
Florida Board of Governors
State University System of Florida
325 W. Gaines Street, Suite 1614
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400

Re: University of West Florida President, Dr. Judith A. Bense

Dear Chair Hosseini:

Dr. Judith A. Bense has served as President of the University of West Florida since July 1, 2007. The Florida Board of Governors has ratified her appointment, both in connection with her initial selection on an interim basis and in connection with her selection as a permanent president pursuant to the provisions of Section 5(c) of Board of Governors Regulation 1.001.

Dr. Bense's performance and dedication as the university's president has been outstanding. Please be advised that the University of West Florida Board of Trustees has entered into an addendum to Dr. Bense's existing contract extending her term as president for an additional period ending December 31, 2016. We anticipate undertaking a search for a new president commencing this fall.

We understand that pursuant to Section 1001.706(6)(a), Florida Statutes, the Board of Governors shall confirm the presidential selection and reappointment by a university board of trustees as a means of acknowledging that system cooperation is expected. Accordingly, we respectfully request that the Board of Governors confirm this reappointment.

Do not hesitate to contact me or the university's Office of General Counsel if you have any questions or desire any further information concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

Lewis Bear, Jr., Chair
University of West Florida Board of Trustees

CC: Dr. Judith A. Bense, President

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