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RESOLUTION NO. 231031

Sponsor: Councilperson Nathan Willett

RESOLUTION - Honoring fellow Kansas Citian, Michael Williams, for his time serving as Chairman of the Board of Curators of The University of Missouri System and appreciating the impact the University has on our City and State.

WHEREAS, Michael Williams has served as the Chairman of The University of Missouri System from 2023 to 2024, and has been a champion for our students and for student life by engaging with all stakeholders across our four system schools, including the University of Missouri - Kansas City; and

WHEREAS, the University of Missouri - Kansas City, known as UMKC, has been Kansas City's University for 90 years as the only public research institution, creating new knowledge through discovery and developing game-changing innovations across the research spectrum that benefits not only UMKC students, but the entire Kansas City metro area and beyond has made tremendous strides in becoming an exemplary public urban research university of the 21st Century under the leadership of Curator Williams; and

WHEREAS, UMKC had close to a \$600 million economic impact in Missouri in FY2021 according to an economic impact study released last year and there are approximately 56,000 UMKC alumni living and working in the Kansas City metro; and

WHEREAS, recognizing the UMKC Chancellor C. Mauli Agrawal, Ph.D., as an experienced leader, award-winning educator, engineer, researcher & inventor, and appreciating his commitment to Kansas City since June 2018; and

WHEREAS, recognizing the University of Missouri System Board of Curators: Robert D. Blitz, District Two - St. Louis, Julia G. Brncic, District One - St. Louis, Robert Fry, District Four - Greenwood, Todd P. Graves, District Six - Edgerton, Keith A. Holloway, District Eight - Cape Girardeau, Jeffrey L. Layman, District Seven - Springfield, Jeanne Cairns Sinquefield, District Three - Westpahlia, Robin R. Wenneker, At-Large - Columbia, Michael A. Williams, District Five - Kansas City, and University System President Mun Y. Choi, Ph.D. for their continued commitment and investment to UMKC; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF KANSAS CITY:

That the Mayor and Council hereby recognize Chairman Michael A. Williams, Chancellor Agrawal, and the Board of Curators for the local and statewide impact the University of Missouri System has provided; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution be spread upon the Minutes of the Council in testimony thereof and that a copy hereof be presented to Chairman Michael A. Williams, each Curator present, as well as Chancellor C. Mauli Agrawal with the appreciation of the Mayor and Council for their commitment to our City and State.

