

# UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA

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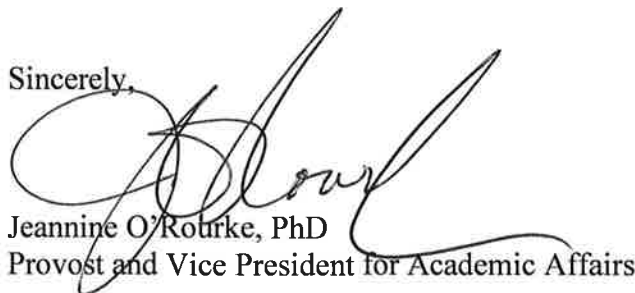
Dear Dr. Johnson:

On February 27, 2025, the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System approved the following requests from University of New Orleans:

- I.4. Approval of the following: Jim and Marisol Tucker 2020 Endowed FGS; UNO International Alumni Association 2023 FGS; UNO International Alumni Association 2024 FGS; UNO International Alumni Association 2024-2 FGS; UNO International Alumni Association 2024-3 FGS; UNO International Alumni Association 2024-4 FGS; and Twenty-First Century Endowed First Generational Scholarships VIII-XXXVI.
- I.8. Approval of payments made by nonprofit organizations to employees of the University of Louisiana System during Fiscal Year 2024.
- J.3. Approval to appoint Dr. Steven Johnson as Interim Dean of the College of Sciences and the Robert A. Savoie College of Engineering.
- J.4. Approval to appoint Dr. Randy Kearns as Interim Dean of the Henry L. Bernstein College of Business Administration and the College of Liberal Arts and Education.

Enclosed for your records are the Executive Summaries with the resolutions that were approved by the Board along with the approved personnel actions. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Jeannine O'Rourke, PhD  
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE  
UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA SYSTEM**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**February 27, 2025**

- Item I.4.**      **University of Louisiana System’s** request for approval to establish LEQSF (8g) Endowed Professorships, Endowed First Generation Scholarships, Endowed Superior Graduate Scholarships, and Endowed Chairs as follows.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

In 1989, the Louisiana Legislature created the Louisiana Education Quality Support Fund (LEQSF), referred to as “8g,” which provides for multiple \$20,000, \$40,000, and \$400,000 grants to be awarded upon receipt of \$80,000, \$60,000 or \$600,000 in private donations for the establishment of endowed professorships and first generation scholarships, graduate scholarships, or endowed chairs, respectively. The law further requires that the appropriate management board authorize the establishment of such endowments prior to submission to the Board of Regents for matching funds. The following endowments are requested for establishment:

***Louisiana Tech University***

1. Doreen and Eric Griffith Endowed Professorship for the College of Engineering and Science, Mechanical Engineering
2. Doreen and Eric Griffith Endowed Professorship for the College of Business, School of Accountancy

***McNeese State University***

1. Bessie Jean Ruley and Desmond Kearns Professorship

***Northwestern State University***

1. Lola Walker Dunahoe Endowed Chair in Interdisciplinary Studies
2. Dr. Jack Russell Endowed Professorship
3. Anne Barry Graves Endowed Superior Graduate Scholarship in Biological Sciences

***Southeastern Louisiana University***

1. Joey Gautier Memorial Scholarship
2. Gaylord M. Bickham First Generation Endowed Scholarship
3. John Manzella First Generation Endowed Scholarship
4. Dr. Mike Budden Endowed Professorship in Business
5. Joyce Junghans College of Business Endowed Professorship

***University of Louisiana at Lafayette***

1. Dr. Charles Perniciaro/BORSF Endowed Professorship in Biology
2. Dr. Anne Bienvenu Broussard/BORSF Endowed Professorship in Nursing

3. Juno and Alice Guedry/BORSF Endowed Professorship in Mechanical Engineering -- HVAC Focus
4. Duhon Family/BORSF Endowed Chair in Librarianship
5. Rosemary Saucier Laborde/BORSF Endowed Chair in the College of Nursing
6. McElligott/BORSF Endowed Eminent Scholar Chair for the Center of Innovation & Entrepreneurship

***University of Louisiana at Monroe***

1. ULM Endowed Professorship in Health Sciences
2. Louis J. St. Amant Endowed Professorship in Rehabilitative Sciences
3. William F. Sherman First Generation Endowed Scholarship
4. R.D. Farr First Generation Endowed Scholarship
5. Deanie Baker Endowed Professorship of Distinction
6. Lyn and James Moore Jr. Endowed Professorship of Distinction
7. Marjorie S. Price Endowed Professorship in Physical Therapy

***University of New Orleans***

1. Jim and Marisol Tucker 2020 Endowed First Generation Scholarship
2. UNO International Alumni Association 2023 First Generation Endowed Scholarship
3. UNO International Alumni Association 2024 First Generation Endowed Scholarship
4. UNO International Alumni Association 2024-2 First Generation Endowed Scholarship
5. UNO International Alumni Association 2024-3 First Generation Endowed Scholarship
6. UNO International Alumni Association 2024-4 First Generation Endowed Scholarship
7. Twenty-First Century Endowed First Generation Scholarship VIII
8. Twenty-First Century Endowed First Generation Scholarship IX
9. Twenty-First Century Endowed First Generation Scholarship X
10. Twenty-First Century Endowed First Generation Scholarship XI
11. Twenty-First Century Endowed First Generation Scholarship XII
12. Twenty-First Century Endowed First Generation Scholarship XIII
13. Twenty-First Century Endowed First Generation Scholarship XIV
14. Twenty-First Century Endowed First Generation Scholarship XV
15. Twenty-First Century Endowed First Generation Scholarship XVI
16. Twenty-First Century Endowed First Generation Scholarship XVII
17. Twenty-First Century Endowed First Generation Scholarship XVIII
18. Twenty-First Century Endowed First Generation Scholarship XIX
19. Twenty-First Century Endowed First Generation Scholarship XX
20. Twenty-First Century Endowed First Generation Scholarship XXI
21. Twenty-First Century Endowed First Generation Scholarship XXII
22. Twenty-First Century Endowed First Generation Scholarship XXIII
23. Twenty-First Century Endowed First Generation Scholarship XXIV

24. Twenty-First Century Endowed First Generation Scholarship XXV
25. Twenty-First Century Endowed First Generation Scholarship XXVI
26. Twenty-First Century Endowed First Generation Scholarship XXVII
27. Twenty-First Century Endowed First Generation Scholarship XXVIII
28. Twenty-First Century Endowed First Generation Scholarship XXIX
29. Twenty-First Century Endowed First Generation Scholarship XXX
30. Twenty-First Century Endowed First Generation Scholarship XXXI
31. Twenty-First Century Endowed First Generation Scholarship XXXII
32. Twenty-First Century Endowed First Generation Scholarship XXXIII
33. Twenty-First Century Endowed First Generation Scholarship XXXIV
34. Twenty-First Century Endowed First Generation Scholarship XXXV
35. Twenty-First Century Endowed First Generation Scholarship XXXVI

### **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the following resolution be adopted:

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves the requests from System institutions to establish LEQSF (8g) Endowed Professorships, Endowed First Generation Scholarships, Endowed Superior Graduate Student Scholarships, and Endowed Chair noted above.*

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE  
UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA SYSTEM**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**February 27, 2025**

- Item I.8.**     **University of Louisiana System’s** request for approval of payments made by nonprofit organizations to employees of the University of Louisiana System during Fiscal Year 2024 in accordance with provisions of Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 17:3390(F).

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

R.S. 17:3390(F) provides that any request for payments of over one thousand dollars for any single transaction to, or on behalf of, or to reimburse the expense of a public employee of a public higher education institution or a public employee or officer of a management board of a public higher education institution by a nonprofit organization shall be approved in writing by the appropriate public higher education management board in accordance with written policies and procedures.

In accordance with PPM FB-IV.-6, we are requesting that Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System approve the schedule of payments made by nonprofit organizations to university employees during the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024. Individual campuses submit quarterly reports of payments that exceed one thousand dollars made by nonprofit organizations to university employees, which have been compiled into the attached schedule.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the following resolution be adopted:

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED***, that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves the University of Louisiana System’s request for approval of payments made by nonprofit organizations to employees of the University of Louisiana System during Fiscal Year 2024 in accordance with provisions of Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 17:3390(F).

Approved by the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System on 2/27/25.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE  
UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA SYSTEM**

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

**February 27, 2025**

**Item J.3.**      **University of New Orleans'** request for approval to appoint Dr. Steven Johnson as Interim Dean of the College of Sciences and the Robert A. Savoie College of Engineering effective January 1, 2025.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The University requests approval to appoint Dr. Steven Johnson as Interim Dean of the College of Sciences and the Robert A. Savoie College of Engineering effective January 1, 2025 at an annual salary of \$190,000. The staff recommends approval.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the following resolution be adopted:

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves University of New Orleans' request for approval to appoint Dr. Steven Johnson as Interim Dean of the College of Sciences and the Robert A. Savoie College of Engineering effective January 1, 2025.*

Approved by the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System on 2/27/25.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE  
UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA SYSTEM**

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

**February 27, 2025**

- Item J.4.**      **University of New Orleans'** request for approval to appoint Dr. Randy Kearns as Interim Dean of the Henry L. Bernstein College of Business Administration and the College of Liberal Arts and Education effective January 1, 2025.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The University requests approval to appoint Dr. Randy Kearns as Interim Dean of the Henry L. Bernstein College of Business Administration and the College of Liberal Arts and Education effective January 1, 2025 at an annual salary of \$180,000. The staff recommends approval.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the following resolution be adopted:

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System hereby approves University of New Orleans' request for approval to appoint Dr. Randy Kearns as Interim Dean of the Henry L. Bernstein College of Business Administration and the College of Liberal Arts and Education effective January 1, 2025.*