

CONGRATULATORY RESOLUTION

President Frederick G. Slabach Texas Wesleyan University

WHEREAS, President Frederick G. Slabach has served as the 20th president of Texas Wesleyan University since 2011 and during his tenure, the university has reached new heights in areas of academic excellence, the student experience, and the revitalization of the campus and its historic neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, President Slabach received his bachelor's degree from Mississippi College, his law degree from the University of Mississippi, and his advanced law degree, the LL.M., from Columbia University; and

WHEREAS, prior to joining Texas Wesleyan as president, President Slabach was CEO of the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation in Washington, D.C., the dean of the Texas Wesleyan University School of Law from 2003 to 2006, and has served in senior positions at the state and national levels of government; and

WHEREAS, under President Slabach's leadership, Texas Wesleyan has made more than \$50 million in capital improvements to the campus and the surrounding neighborhood, and the University endowment has doubled. Freshman applications have increased 282 percent, and overall freshman enrollment has increased more than 80 percent since 2011; and

WHEREAS, in the fall of 2019, Texas Wesleyan dedicated the new, \$20.25 million, 44,000 square-foot Nick & Lou Martin University Center, the most significant capital improvement project at Texas Wesleyan in a century; and

WHEREAS, The Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) honored President Slabach with the 2019 Chief Executive Leadership Award for District IV which includes the states of Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, and Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, President Frederick G. Slabach has developed and executed a bold agenda that cultivates student critical thinking, has increased enrollment, and has revitalized Texas Wesleyan's home in East Fort Worth as a vibrant academic and economic center.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Commissioners Court of Tarrant County, do hereby congratulate President Frederick G. Slabach for his 14 years of dedicated service to Texas Wesleyan University and for a legacy of unifying the community to bring resources, educational support, and empowerment to the citizens of Tarrant County.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the Seal of Tarrant County to be affixed this 6th day of June 2023.