State of Florida State University System of Florida Board of Governors

In Re: Waiving Strict Adherence to Board of Governors Regulations, Institution Specific Requirements, Pursuant to Executive Orders 23-208 and 23-242, Made Necessary by the Impacts of War in Israel BOG ORDER NO. 2024-E0-01

EMERGENCY ORDER

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Florida issued Executive Order No. 23-208, ratified and reaffirmed by Executive Order No. 23-242, declaring a state of emergency in response to the war in Israel; and

WHEREAS, on October 7, 2023, Iran-backed Hamas terrorists from Gaza and the surrounding region infiltrated Israel's borders and began indiscriminately murdering, kidnapping, and raping innocent men, women, and children, while Hamas simultaneously bombarded innocent Israeli communities with thousands of rockets; and

WHEREAS, antisemitic incidents in the United States have increased by 388% in the aftermath of the attack on Israel. See Oversight of the Federal Bureau of Investigation: Before S. Comm. on the Judiciary, 118th .j[nu)Tj-0.65 Tw59 ([n)11.5379 (ia Td[f)11.61 (a)-1/TT0 14311 TJ0.38yTw 36.8)10.87

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 23-208, as ratified and reaffirmed by Executive Order No. 23-242, grants each state agency the authority to suspend the provision of any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business, or the orders or rules of that agency, if strict compliance with provisions of any such statute, order, or rule would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with the emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Raymond Rodrigues, Chancellor of the State University System of Florida, pursuant to the authority granted by Executive Order No. 23-208, as ratified and reaffirmed by Executive Order No. 23-242, issue this emergency order to remove barriers for undergraduate students who are seeking to transfer to a Florida university because of a well-founded fear of antisemitic or other religious discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or violence at an out-of-state, degree-granting, accredited institution, within the United States.

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Waivers and Exemptions of Tuition and Fees

- **D** Pursuant to Section 1009.26, Florida Statutes, and Board of Governors Regulation 7.008, institutions may grant an out-of-state tuition and fee waiver where the institution has evaluated that the out-of-state tuition and fees are a ILQQLDOBUGKS for astudent who otherwise qualifies under section 1.a.
- E Pursuant to Section 1009.26, Florida Statutes, and Board of Governors Regulation 7.008, each university board of trustees must suspend enforcement of regulations or policies that are inconsistent with or create obstacles for a waiver of out-of-state tuition and fees, for students who seek to transfer and who qualify under sections 1.a. and 3.a.

Deadlines for Applications and Expedited Review

- **D** For students seeking to transfer on the basis provided in section 1.a.:
 - L Each university board of trustees must waive application date deadlines. Application deadlines are set to determine the last date a student can apply for admission to an institution.
 - LL Each university board of trustees must implement an expedited review and determination of applications to provide an expedited path for admission, subject to space and capacity limitations.

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