Agenda Item No.

**TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE**

Office of the President

July 9, 2021

## Members, Board of Regents

## The Texas A&M University System

Subject: Adoption of a Resolution Honoring Officer Harry Patrick for His Valor and Courage in the Rendering of Life-Saving Aid to an Employee at Texas A&M University-Commerce

I respectfully request the Board of Regents’ approval of the following resolution honoring Officer Harry Patrick for his valor and courage in rendering life-saving aid to an employee at Texas A&M University-Commerce.

“WHEREAS, on April 26, 2021, patrol officer Harry Patrick was flagged down by an SSC employee who told him there was a man in the parking lot who was bleeding profusely with a serious injury; and

WHEREAS, Officer Patrick advised dispatch of the situation and requested an emergency medical response unit, exited his patrol vehicle and found the injured man sitting on a zero-turn mower; and

WHEREAS, the man’s lower left leg was bleeding profusely and it was determined that there was a compound fracture to the lower left leg that had broken through the skin; and

WHEREAS, an SSC supervisor was present and had attempted to stop the bleeding by applying a belt to the leg below the knee; however, the wound was still bleeding profusely; and

WHEREAS, Officer Patrick then removed a department-issued tourniquet from his duty belt and applied it above the knee of the injured man, logged his action with dispatch, and he was able to apply enough pressure to slow the severe bleeding; and

WHEREAS, Officer Patrick continued to speak to the injured man to keep his attention until emergency medical personnel arrived and he was airlifted to an emergency trauma unit; and

WHEREAS, the man’s injury was life-threatening and he would have lost considerably more blood before the arrival of emergency medical personnel without the intervention of Officer Patrick; and

WHEREAS, Officer Patrick is to be commended for his extraordinary effort and quick thinking during this possible life-threatening emergency; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that we, the members of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, wish to publicly honor Officer Harry Patrick for his outstanding valor, courage, and heroic action and to express our profound admiration and respect for his deeds; and, be it, further

RESOLVED, that this resolution be included in the minutes, and copies thereof signed by the Chairman of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, and be presented to Officer Patrick and to the Archives of Texas A&M University-Commerce as an expression of appreciation and respect for a job well done.

ADOPTED, this 26th day of August 2021.”

Respectfully submitted,

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President

**Approval Recommended: Approved for Legal Sufficiency:**

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