

Whereas Robert L. Barchi was appointed President of Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey by the Board of Governors in April 2012;

and whereas President Barchi has served with distinction in this office since September 2012;

and whereas during his tenure he has led the integration of Rutgers with the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey to create Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences;

and whereas he has recognized the importance of shared governance at Rutgers, incorporating it as a foundational element in our strategic plan;

and whereas he has served as a member of the Rutgers University Senate for eight years, has been open and responsive to the Senate's recommendations and requests, and has regularly updated the Senate on activities and progress at the university, creating dialog that has informed and energized our discussions;

and whereas he has been an ardent supporter of free speech, and of diverse members of our community such as military veterans who study at Rutgers and students affected by the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals policy;

and whereas he has announced his intention to step down as President effective June 30, 2020;

be it Resolved that the Rutgers University Senate thanks President Robert L. Barchi for his collaboration with the Senate and his dedicated service to the university, congratulates him on his tenure as President, and wishes him happiness and success in all his future endeavors and undertakings.