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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY DR. CLAUDE BRUNSON TO HEALTH CARE IN MISSISSIPPI ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT AS SENIOR ADVISOR FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS TO THE VICE-CHANCELLOR AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI MEDICAL CENTER (UMMC), CLINICAL PROFESSOR OF ANESTHESIOLOGY AT UMMC AND PAST PRESIDENT OF THE MISSISSIPPI STATE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

WHEREAS, we join the medical community at the University of Mississippi Medical Center in recognizing the contributions made by Dr. Claude Brunson to the advancement of healthcare in Mississippi. Dr. Brunson is retiring from his positions as Senior Advisor to the Vice Chancellor for External Affairs at UMMC and Clinical Professor of Anesthesiology at UMMC, and will be assuming the position of Executive Director of the Mississippi State Medical Association (MSMA); and

WHEREAS, the positions, duties, responsibilities and honors that Dr. Brunson has held and achieved in his outstanding career are a matter of impressive record:

Academic Appointments: Professor and Chairman, University of Mississippi School of Medicine, Department of Anesthesiology,

Jackson, Mississippi, 2003-2009; Professor and Acting Chairman, University of Mississippi School of Medicine, Department of Anesthesiology, Jackson, Mississippi, 2002-2003; Professor, University of Mississippi School of Medicine, Department of Anesthesiology, Jackson, Mississippi, 2002-Present;

Professional Appointments: Consultant Member, Anesthesiology and Respiratory Therapy Devices Panel, Food and Drug Administration, Washington, D.C., 2007-Present; Member, House of Delegates, American Society of Anesthesiologists 2001, 2003-2018; Member, Board of Directors, American Society of Anesthesiologists, 2002-Present; Member, Committee on Governmental Affairs, American Society of Anesthesiologists, 2009; Member, Committee on Finance, Board of Directors, American Society of Anesthesiologists, 2007-2013, Chair: 2010-2013; Member, Committee on Executive Compensation, American Society of Anesthesiologists, 2010-2013; Member, Ad Hoc Committee on Approval of CEO Selection, American Society of Anesthesiologists, 2013; Member, Ad Hoc Committee on State Assistance, American Society of Anesthesiologists, 2011; Member, Ad Hoc Committee on Per Diem, American Society of Anesthesiologists, 2010; Member, Board Committee on Scientific Affairs, American Society of Anesthesiologists, 2015-2017, Chair 2017-Present; Member, Special Board Committee on Expert Witness Testimony Review, American Society of Anesthesiologists, 2016-2017; Member, Board Committee on Administrative Affairs, American Society of Anesthesiologists, 2017-Present; Member,

Triple Committee (ASA, AMA, ABA), American Society of Anesthesiologists, 2017-Present; Member, Board Committee on Publications and Digital Oversight, American Society of Anesthesiologists, 2017-Present; Chair, Council on Scientific Assembly, Mississippi Medical and Surgical Association, 2007-2009; Member, Finance Committee, Board of Governors for the University of Mississippi, Faculty Practice Plan, November 2007-2009; Member, Executive Committee, Board of Governors for the University of Mississippi Faculty Practice Plan, November 2004-2009; Member-at-Large, Board of Governors for the University of Mississippi, Faculty Practice Plan, November 2003-2009; President, Central Medical Society, Jackson, Mississippi, 2005-2006; President-Elect, Central Medical Society, Jackson, Mississippi, 2004-2005; Secretary/Treasurer, Central Medical Society, Jackson, Mississippi, 2003-2004; Vice President of Hinds County Central Medical Society, Jackson, Mississippi, 2002-2003; Member, Executive Committee, Central Medical Society, Jackson, Mississippi, 2002-Present; Member, Council on Legislation, Mississippi State Medical Association, Jackson, Mississippi, 2006-2012; Chairman, Council on Legislation, Mississippi State Medical Association, Jackson, Mississippi, 2006-2012; Chairman, Board of Trustees, Mississippi State Medical Association, Ridgeland, Mississippi, 2012-2013; Member, Board of Trustees Executive Committee, Secretary of Executive Committee, Mississippi State Medical Association, Jackson, Mississippi, 2010-2012;

Member, Board of Trustees, Mississippi State Medical Association, Jackson, Mississippi, 2007-2015; Member, Board of Directors, Mississippi Physicians Care Network, Ridgeland, Mississippi, 2013-Present; President, Mississippi Medical and Surgical Association, Jackson, Mississippi, 2009-2011; Chief of Staff, University of Mississippi Medical Center, Jackson, Mississippi, 2001-2002; Board of Directors, Delta Health Alliance, Stoneville, Mississippi, 2010-2011; Alternate Delegate, American Medical Association, Chicago, Illinois, 2010-2011; Secretary/Treasurer, Mississippi State Medical Association Board of Trustees, Jackson, Mississippi, 2010-2012; Principal Investigator, Healthy Linkages, Jackson, Mississippi, 2010-Present; Member, Mississippi Board of Medical Licensure, Mississippi Board of Medical Licensure, Jackson, Mississippi, 2010-Present, Secretary of Board, 2016-2017, Vice President of Board, 2017-Present; Member, Governor's Task Force on Heroin and Opioid Abuse, Gubernatorial Appointment, State of Mississippi, Office of the Governor, Jackson, Mississippi, 2017-Present; Member, Advisory Board to Mississippi Insurance Department, Insurance Commissioner Appointment, State of Mississippi, Office of the Commissioner of Insurance, Jackson, Mississippi, 2017-Present; Liaison Committee of the Board of Trustees, MSMA/University of Mississippi Medical Center, Ridgeland, Mississippi, 2010-Present; Non-Dues Revenue Committee of the Board of Trustees, MSMA, Ridgeland, Mississippi, 2010-2012; Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council, Gubernatorial

Appointment, Mississippi State Department of Health, Jackson, Mississippi, 2010-Present; School of Medicine Admissions Committee, University of Mississippi Medical Center, Jackson, Mississippi, 2010-Present; Scope of Practice Committee, Mississippi Board of Medical Licensure, Jackson, Mississippi, 2011-2014, Chairman, 2012-2014; Telemedicine/EHR Committee, Mississippi Board of Medical Licensure, Jackson, Mississippi, 2011-Present, Chairman, 2014-Present; State Advocacy Activities, American Society of Anesthesiology, Ad Hoc Committee, 2011-Present; Member, Health Insurance Exchange Advisory Board, Insurance Commissioner Appointment, Mississippi Insurance Department, Jackson, Mississippi, 2011-2013; Chair, Health Insurance Exchange Advisory Board Sub-Committee (Large Employers), Mississippi Insurance Department, Jackson, Mississippi, 2011-2013; Advisory Editor, Journal MSMA Editorial Advisory Board, Mississippi State Medical Association, Ridgeland, Mississippi, 2011-2014; Physician Representative, Mississippi Board of Nursing, Mississippi Board of Medical Licensure Appointment, Flowood, Mississippi, 2012-Present; President Elect, Mississippi State Medical Association, Ridgeland, Mississippi, 2013-2014; President, Mississippi State Medical Association, Ridgeland, Mississippi, 2014-2015; Board Member, Mississippi Public Health Institute, Jackson, Mississippi, 2014-Present, Chairman, 2014-Present; Member, Center for Health of Minority Males Advisory Board, Myrlie Evers-Williams Institute for the Elimination of Health

Disparities, University of Mississippi Medical Center, 2014-Present; National Medical Fellowships, Inc., National Alumni Council, Director, Region 3, Washington, D.C., 2015-Present; National Medical Fellowships, Inc., National Alumni Council, Treasurer, Washington, D.C., 2017-Present; Past President, Mississippi State Medical Association, Ridgeland, Mississippi, 2015-2016; MSMA Representative, Mississippi-Health Information Network Board of Directors, Ridgeland, Mississippi, 2015-Present; Member, Board of Directors, Mississippi Blood Services, 2015-Present; Commissioner, Interstate Medical Licensure Compact Commission, Lexington, Kentucky, 2016-Present; Chairman, 100 Black Men of Jackson, Health and Anti-Violence Committee Jackson, Mississippi, 2000-2003; Board of Directors, 100 Black Men of Jackson, 1999-2004; Chairman, Board of Directors, Central Mississippi Sickle Cell Foundation, Jackson, Mississippi, 1998-2006; Member, Board of Directors, Central Mississippi Sickle Cell Foundation, Jackson, Mississippi, 1998-Present; Mentoring Coordinator, Lanier High School, 100 Black Men of America, Inc., Jackson Chapter, Jackson, Mississippi, 1998-2000; Director, 100 Black Men of Jackson, Annual Health Fair, Jackson, Mississippi, 1999, 2000, 2001; Mentor, Division of Multicultural Affairs Mentoring Program, University of Mississippi Medical Center, 2009-Present; Member, Business, Governmental and Community Affairs, University of Mississippi Medical Center, 2010-Present, Chairman, 2013-Present;

Professional Memberships: Federation of State Medical Boards; American Society of Anesthesiologists, Board of Directors; American Medical Association; National Medical Association; Mississippi State Medical Association; Central Medical Society, Component Society of MSMA; Mississippi Medical and Surgical Association; Mississippi Society of Anesthesiologists, Director; American College of Physician Executives; Diversity Educator of the Year, Mississippi Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning, 2015; Alabama Majesty Awards as a Living Legend in the Field of Healthcare, 2015; and Distinguished Physician's Award, Mississippi Medical and Surgical Association, 2018; and

WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we join his colleagues in commending the lasting legacy of a distinguished Mississippi physician who has brought honor to his profession, to the University Medical Center and to the State of Mississippi:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That we do hereby recognize the contributions made by Dr. Claude Brunson to Health Care in Mississippi on the occasion of his retirement as Senior Advisor for External Affairs to the Vice-Chancellor at University of Mississippi Medical Center, Clinical Professor of Anesthesiology at UMMC and Past President of the Mississippi State Medical Association, and extend to Dr. Brunson our best wishes as he assumes his new role as Executive Director of the Mississippi State Medical Association.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to Dr. Brunson, forwarded to the Vice Chancellor at the University Medical Center, and made available to the Capitol Press Corps.

ADOPTED BY THE SENATE
March 14, 2019

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
March 20, 2019

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES