Proposed Board Action:

WHEREAS, Dr. Albert E. Dotson, Sr. served dutifully as a member of the Board of Directors of the Florida International University Foundation for over eighteen years in various capacities and as a founding member and chair of the Board of Trustees of Florida International University (the BOT); and

WHEREAS, Dr. Dotson for almost three decades has demonstrated his passionate and unyielding commitment to Florida International University by selflessly giving of his time and service; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Dotson will continue his legacy of service to Florida International University as the Chair of the Florida International University Athletics Finance Corporation Board of Directors;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the BOT at its regular meeting this 22nd day of November 2011, does hereby recognize, commend and express its gratitude to Dr. Albert E. Dotson, Sr. for his contributions to Florida International University,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the BOT grants Dr. Albert E. Dotson, Sr. the status of Chairperson Emeritus of this Board with all the rights, honors and privileges thereunto appertaining; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the University Administration take all actions necessary to give effect to this Resolution.

Background Information:

A: Authority:

Florida Statute 1001.74(1)(c) provides each university board of trustees with “the authority to govern its university as necessary to provide proper governance and improvement of the university in accordance with law and with guidelines of the Board of Governors.”

Florida Board of Governors Regulation 1.001(1) delegates to each university board of trustees “all of the powers and duties necessary and appropriate for the direction, operation, management, and accountability of each state university.”
Florida International University Board of Trustees Operating Procedures, states in relevant part:

Article I, Special Members of the Board

Following an individual's service as Chair or Trustee of the Board, the Board may designate such former Chair or Trustee as Chairperson Emeritus or Trustee Emeritus. The Board shall have the special member categories of Chairperson Emeritus and Trustee Emeritus for honorary purposes to recognize past Chairpersons and Trustees who have provided extraordinary service and contributions to the University and are no longer serving in that capacity.

Trustees shall be elected by a two-thirds vote of the Board for either of the above-defined designations. Chairperson or Trustee Emeritus may be invited to attend meetings of the Board but shall not have the right to vote nor shall be considered in constituting a quorum.

Supporting Documentation: N/A

Facilitator/Presenter: Claudia Puig