



FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY

## Board of Trustees

Item: VI. b.e.

Date: Tuesday, November 19, 2024

**SUBJECT: APPROVE NAMING OF UNIVERSITY ELEMENTS**

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### PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Approve naming of the College of Education conference room “The Michael P. Brady Memorial Conference Room”.

### BACKGROUND INFORMATION

#### Donation:

A gift from Michael P. Brady’s estate in the amount of \$245,582.72 to support the Department of Special Education and the Academy for Community Inclusion in the College of Education has been given and is being memorialized by naming the College of Education conference room the “Michael P. Brady Memorial Conference Room” in his honor.

#### Gift Purpose:

The purpose of this Gift is to provide scholarship support to undergraduate, master’s and doctoral students through the creation of an endowment and to provide general support for the Department of Special Education and the Academy for Community Inclusion in the College of Education.

#### Donor’s Background:

Dr. Michael Brady was a professor at Florida Atlantic University and served as the Department of Special Education chair for 21 years. He earned a bachelor’s and a master’s degree from the University of Hawaii. He later attended George Peabody College at Vanderbilt University and earned a doctorate. Throughout his professional career, Dr. Brady focused on developing programs for students with moderate to severe disabilities. In 2016, Dr. Brady and other academics started the Academy for

Community Inclusion, a college certificate program for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Dr. Brady passed away in December of 2021. Dr. Brady's legacy will be his strong advocacy for individuals with disabilities.

### **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

Cost of signage and installation – TBD

### **IMPLEMENTATION PLAN/DATE**

Implementation date is to be determined.

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