



**RESOLUTION NO. 2022-02**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF  
WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY**

**WELCOMING TRUSTEE  
*CHRIS WITHERSPOON***

**WHEREAS**, on February 25, 2022, Governor Jay Inslee appointed **CHRIS WITHERSPOON** of Bellevue, Washington to serve a term on the Western Washington University Board of Trustees ending on September 30, 2026; and

**WHEREAS**, **CHRIS WITHERSPOON** brings to his appointment as a trustee a distinguished career in advertising and marketing, currently serving as the president and CEO of DNA, an independent creative agency, which was named Ad Age Magazine's Small Agency of the Year for the Northwest; and

**WHEREAS**, **CHRIS WITHERSPOON** is a founding member of the advocacy group 600 & Rising, dedicated to dismantling systemic racism in advertising and public relations, and as board chair of Building Leaders and Creators (BLAC), a coalition of agencies that encourages inclusion through student internships; and

**WHEREAS**, **CHRIS WITHERSPOON** is an alumnus of Western Washington University, earning his Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration in 1994 while serving as captain of the WWU football team, and;

**WHEREAS**, **CHRIS WITHERSPOON** has demonstrated extraordinary commitment to advancing Western Washington University as a member of the WWU Foundation Board and as past President of the WWU Alumni Association Board, serving in an instrumental supportive role for the university's annual Give Day efforts that resulted in over \$1 million raised in 24 hours;

**WHEREAS**, **CHRIS WITHERSPOON** has declared his commitment to serve as a member of the Western Washington University Board of Trustees;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University officially extends a warm welcome to **CHRIS WITHERSPOON** as he begins his term on the Board.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** by the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University at its meeting on April 22, 2022.

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Meyer".

John M. Meyer, Chair

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Chase Franklin".

D. Chase Franklin, Vice Chair