



RESOLUTION NO. 2021-09

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

WHEREAS, a legal action, *Susan and Michael Bakse v. Western Washington University et al*, has been commenced involving this institution of higher education; and

WHEREAS, Chyerl Wolfe-Lee, a current employee of the institution designated below, and her spouse, Todd Allen Lee, and Deborah DeWees, a former employee of the institution designated below and her spouse, Erik Herron, have been named as individual defendants in the lawsuit and have requested the Board to authorize their defense under RCW 28B.10.842; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that Chyerl Wolfe-Lee, Todd Allen Lee, Deborah DeWees and Erik Herron were acting or purporting to act in good faith in the performance of their duties as those terms are used in RCW 28B.10.842, RCW 4.92.060 and RCW 4.92.070; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees authorizes the defense and indemnification of Chyerl Wolfe-Lee, Todd Allen Lee, Deborah DeWees and Erik Herron by the State in the legal action *Susan and Michael Bakse v. Western Washington University et al*, *Whatcom County Cause Number 21-2-01003-37*, pursuant to RCW 28B.10.842.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Board of Trustees of Western Washington University at its meeting on December 16, 2021.

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 "Chase Franklin".

Chase Franklin, Vice Chair