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ADVISORY GROUP RECOMMENDATION

Action Requested: Approve the recommendation submitted by the Advisory Group.

Executive Summary: The Advisory Group is submitting the following recommendation:

For all new capital projects, there shall not be an increase in net square footage as a result of the project. Exceptions for the moratorium are all projects and their future phases that are currently approved or under construction. Also, excluded from the moratorium are healthcare facilities or projects that are 100% funded by private donations. For projects that require state funding, the institution shall demonstrate, in its submission to the Board, how the projects comply with the moratorium. This moratorium takes effect immediately and sunsets on June 30, 2022, unless the Board extends the sunset date.

Background: On April 30, 2020, Board President Michael Richards established an Advisory Group to the Board of Regents with the following charge: Look for administrative and academic collaborations and efficiencies across the Regent enterprise. President Richards also established two subgroups to assist the Advisory Group with its charge – an Academic Subgroup and an Administrative Subgroup.

Since its creation, the Advisory Group and the subgroups have met throughout the summer. In conjunction with the Fiscal Year 2022 state appropriations request, the Advisory Group is recommending that a moratorium be placed on new capital projects, such that at the conclusion of the project, there is not an increase in the net square footage on the campus as a result of the project. The moratorium is in effect until June 30, 2022.