**Proclamation by the Youngstown State University Academic Senate**

**Whereas**, the mission of Youngstown State University (YSU) is to enrich the lives of individuals through access to a broad array of high-quality programs and services, fostering a collaborative culture of excellence across teaching, research, and service;

**Whereas**, the university is committed to preparing our students to succeed in a diverse, global society, and to leading in efforts that contribute to the intellectual, cultural, and economic development of our region and beyond;

**Whereas**, the Academic Senate, representing the faculty, staff, and students of Youngstown State University, is dedicated to upholding the academic integrity and excellence that form the core of our institution;

**Whereas**, Bill Johnson has been selected as the President of Youngstown State University, demonstrating a commitment to advancing the university's mission, values, and strategic goals;

**Whereas**, President Johnson has shown a commitment to fostering an inclusive and dynamic learning environment, supporting innovative research, and enhancing the university's engagement with the community and region;

**Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved**, that the Academic Senate of Youngstown State University acknowledges the leadership of Bill Johnson in his role as President of Youngstown State University and expresses its intent to support him as he continues in this position with a willingness to collaborate with President Johnson to advance the university's strategic objectives, to promote academic excellence, and contribute to the success and well-being of our students, faculty, staff, and the greater community; and ;

**Be It Further Resolved**, that this proclamation be entered into the official records of the Academic Senate and shared with the university community as a reflection of the shared aspirations and collaborative efforts toward the future of Youngstown State University under the leadership of President Bill Johnson.

**Adopted by the Youngstown State University Academic Senate** on this day, September 4th 2024 by majority consent.

**Signed**,  
Chet Cooper  
Youngstown State University