

HONORING THE LEADERSHIP OF MICHELLE SIMMONS

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2023-40

WHEREAS, Michelle Simmons was first employed at the Kokomo Campus of Ivy Tech Community College on August 23, 1993, and

WHEREAS, Simmons spent many of her first 24 years with the College in the Kokomo service beginning as Business Office Supervisor, and in 1999 as Executive Director Workforce and Economic Development, and in 2006 as Executive Director of Finance, and in 2010 as Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs, and in 2014 as Campus President, and

WHEREAS, in July 2017, President Sue Ellspermann appointed Simmons as Vice President of Strategic Operations – Northern Indiana and then as Vice President for Internal Relations in October 2022, and

WHEREAS, during her tenure with the College, Simmons has been a part of various leadership teams and individually instrumental in many accomplishments including but not limited to the following:

Kokomo Service Area

- Developed and expanded apprenticeships and customized training programs, professional and personal courses, and workforce certification services
- Fiscal responsibility for Logansport site building project
- Advocate and helped secure state appropriations for a \$43 million renovation and construction project

Systems Office

- Assisted with College restructure
- Supported and responded to the day-to-day operational management of 19 campuses, and

WHEREAS, Simmons has provided outstanding leadership to the College, and provided thoughtful, insightful, and confidential counsel to the Campus and President always having the best interests of the faculty, staff and students of Ivy Tech Community College and its mission in mind.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Trustees of Ivy Tech Community College of Indiana does hereby honor Michelle Simmons by this resolution as a means of recognizing and thanking her for her leadership, dedication, passion and service to Ivy Tech Community College of Indiana.

**STATE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
IVY TECH COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF INDIANA**



Andrew Wilson, Chair



Michael Dora, Secretary

Dated October 5, 2023