JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE meeting on March 8, 2016, for the purpose of electing three Regents, providing for the procedures to be observed at such meeting

WHEREAS, The Senate and Assembly are meeting in joint session on this day, Tuesday, March 8, 2016, for the purpose of electing three Regents of The University of the State of New York, pursuant to section 202 of the Education Law; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the procedures governing the election of such Regents at such joint session shall be as follows:

1. The three Regents shall be elected pursuant to the provisions of this resolution.

2. Prior to entertaining nominations for Regent, the Presiding Officer, or his or her designee, may recognize a Member of the Legislature for the purpose of an opening statement of not more than three minutes in duration and may recognize another Member of the Legislature for the purpose of a second opening statement of not more than two minutes in duration.

3. Nominations of persons for election as Regent At-Large shall be made from the floor. There shall be one nominating speech, of not more than five minutes in duration. There may also be seconding speeches, each of not more than two minutes in duration, for each candidate nominated.

4. Debate on the nomination shall be permitted. No Member shall speak in debate more than once nor for more than five minutes.

5. At the conclusion of nominations for Regent At-Large, a roll call shall be taken of the Members of the Legislature in alphabetical order. Each Member when voting may speak for no more than two minutes to explain his or her vote.

6. One hundred seven votes are required for election. In the event no person receives 107 votes, a reballot shall be conducted among all the persons previously nominated except the person (or persons, if there be a tie) receiving the smallest number of votes in the previous ballot. In the event that no candidate receives 107 votes upon such reballot, additional reballots shall be conducted in the same manner until such time as a person receives 107 votes.

7. Upon election of the Regent At-Large, the foregoing procedures shall be repeated with respect to the nomination and election of the Regent from the Fifth Judicial District and then from the First Judicial District.