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Resolution of Collaboration and Cooperation

Adopted: Wednesday, May 7, 2025

Location: Oakwood University, Huntsville, Alabama

Preamble

We, the leadership of Oakwood University and the Senior Class of 2025, recognizing the significance of commencement as both a ceremonial and spiritual milestone in the lives of our graduates, affirm our shared responsibility in fostering a graduation experience marked by excellence, unity, and mutual respect.

Guided by Oakwood's mission to provide a holistic, Christ-centered education that prepares students for service and leadership, and in acknowledgment of the collective efforts required to successfully execute this pivotal event, we hereby present this resolution as a testament to our collaboration, open dialogue, and unwavering commitment to the success of our students.

Whereas, Oakwood University is scheduled to hold its Spring 2025 graduation ceremonies on May 7–10, 2025, marking a significant milestone for the graduating Class of 2025—symbolizing the culmination of their academic journey and the beginning of new opportunities;

Whereas, on Tuesday, May 6, 2025, at 3:00 p.m., the Oakwood University Administration, Senior Class Officers, and Senior Class Sponsors convened at the request of the University President to discuss and identify mutual interests in the successful execution of graduation events throughout the weekend;

Whereas, both leadership teams recognized the importance of collaboration in enhancing the overall graduation experience for the Class of 2025;

Whereas, open communication and alignment of shared goals are essential for the successful planning and implementation of commencement activities;

Whereas, specific concerns, ideas, and perspectives from all parties were openly and respectfully shared and discussed during the two-hour meeting;

Be it resolved, that the Oakwood University Administration, Senior Class Officers, and Senior Class Sponsors hereby commit to working collaboratively to ensure a unified, celebratory, and meaningful graduation experience for all students, families, and guests.

Adopted this Wednesday, May 7, 2025, by the undersigned:

Dr. Leslie N. Pollard

President, Oakwood University
on behalf of the University Officers

Faith Ampadu

President, Class of 2025
on behalf of the Senior Class Officers

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