RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY COMMERCIALIZATION

WHEREAS, increased attention is being paid to the security of valuable data and intellectual property which may be accessible online; and

WHEREAS, the institutions that comprise the University System of Maryland (USM) are currently engaged in research activities that lead to disclosure and the eventual application, registration, and award of a legal patent; and

WHEREAS, it is incumbent upon the USM to actively address the issue of patent protection as it impacts the system and its institutions,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the USM shall undertake a comprehensive review of current practices that monitor and protect USM Institutional patents, examine current best practices, and recommended policies for presentation to the USM Board of Regents for consideration and possible action; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this effort shall be coordinated by the USM's Office of Economic Development and the its Office of Academic and Students Affairs, with findings and any formal recommendations issued prior to the end of Fiscal Year 2019.

James Brady

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Approved by the USM Board of Regents on December 15, 2017.