DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY RECONSTRUCTION
AND REHABILITATION OF THE FISHER BUILDING

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2021-2

WHEREAS, as part of the Campus in downtown Muncie the Trustees of Ivy Tech Community College own the Fisher Building located 345 South High Street (“Fisher Building”), and

WHEREAS, the Fisher Building had been part of a major renovation and construction project of the Muncie Campus, and

WHEREAS, an explosion occurred at the Fisher Building on November 24, 2020 causing extensive damage to the basement of the building, including the destruction of two chemistry labs, and

WHEREAS, it appears the explosion originated in the basement at or near the room housing the electrical switchgear equipment installed as part of the renovation with causation being further investigated by interested parties, and

WHEREAS, in order to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public and restore the necessary governmental operations of Ivy Tech it is imperative that the College procure the expert services of architects, construction managers and contractors to reconstruct and repair the damaged space in the Fisher building, and

WHEREAS, IC 5-16-1-1.6 allows for the reconstruction or repair of a building to proceed without advertising for bids when an emergency has been declared.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to IC 5-16-1-1.6 the State Trustees declare that as a result of the explosion at the Fisher Building on November 24, 2020, the health, safety, and welfare of the public and the necessary government operations of Ivy Tech are endangered, and that an emergency exists, and that Ivy Tech may proceed to enter contracts necessary to reconstruct and repair the building without advertising for bids, and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, the State Trustees do hereby authorize the College to proceed to procure the necessary services to reconstruct and repair the building without advertising for bids and that the President or her designee, is authorized to execute the necessary documents and contracts in such form and substance as they approve and as are consistent with the purposes of this resolution, regardless of amount, after the documents have been approved by College Counsel, and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, the total costs of the contracts procured to reconstruct and repair the building shall not exceed $5 million without first obtaining approval of the Trustees.

STATE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
IVY TECH COMMUNITY COLLEGE
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