THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK - ALLOCATION OF $20 MILLION IN CAPITAL FUNDS TO PROJECTS

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of the City University of New York authorize the allocation of $12 million to Lehman College for the construction of the Nursing Education, Research and Practice Center, and $8 million to Brooklyn College for completion of the construction of the Leonard and Claire Tow Performing Arts Center.

EXPLANATION:
In June 2016 the State Budget was amended providing an additional $20 million dollars in capital funds to the City University per the following:

“For additional services and expenses related to alterations and improvements to various facilities for capital projects, including but not limited to capital design, construction, acquisition, reconstruction, rehabilitation, and equipment; for health and safety, preservation of facilities, program improvement or program change, environmental protection, energy conservation, accreditation, facilities for the physically disabled, preventative maintenance and related projects, including costs incurred prior to April 1, 2016 and subject to a plan developed and submitted by the City University of New York Board of Trustees and approved by the Director of the Budget.”

Below are the summaries of the projects being funded by the $20 million available in the amendment of the state budget:

1. Lehman College Nursing and Education Research and Practice Center. This project will construct a 40,000-square-foot building on the parking lot adjacent to Davis Hall to house the new Nursing Education, Research and Practice Center. The facility will include classrooms, instructional and research labs and administrative and support space. These funds are necessary to complete the project.

2. Brooklyn College, The Leonard and Claire Tow Performing Arts Center. This project reconstructs Gershwin Hall and builds a new performing arts instructional facility with connections to existing Whitman Hall. It also creates a new gateway into the College from the Campus Road entrance. This facility includes classrooms and practice rooms dedicated to music, teaching studios, music and theatre rehearsal rooms, a new scene workshop, and a new 250-seat performance space. These funds are necessary to complete the project.

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