BOARD OF VISITORS MEETING NOTICE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD RE: PROPOSED MANDATORY FEE INCREASE

January 13, 2023

The Virginia State University Board of Visitors will hold a public comment period on a proposed mandatory fee increase on Friday, February 10, 2023, from 9:00 am to 10:00 am in the Gateway Dining and Event Center. Virginia State University is not planning to increase its in state undergraduate tuition rates. The University is considering a 0-3% increase to its out-of-state and graduate tuition rates and fees to address inflationary pressures and anticipated increased costs for utilities and security.

Members of the Board will be present at the meeting where University officials will provide an explanation for the proposed fee increase and the Board will receive public comment in accordance with the Code of Virginia §23.1-307 (D)(E). The public comment period will be the opportunity for members of the University community, as well as members of the public, to share their thoughts with Board members about the mandatory fee increase.

Individuals who desire to speak before the Board are required to pre-register on a first-come, first-serve basis for the public comment period. Speakers will be asked to specify their affiliation, if any, with Virginia State University. All remarks must be relevant to the proposed increase in the out of state undergraduate and graduate tuition rates along with mandatory fees, and those persons interested in participating in the public comment opportunity must adhere to the following guidelines:

- 1. Pre-register to speak by **Wednesday, February 1, 2023** by completing the electronic registration form:
 - a. Scan the QR code, or



- b. Use the following link <u>http://bit.ly/3FsuGDU</u>
- 2. Limit comments to 3-minutes
- 3. Provide a written copy of their comments to the Board Secretary

The Executive Committee of the Board is expected to vote on the proposed increase at 10 am, March 21, 2023, in Room 310, Virginia Hall. In lieu of oral comments, written comments will be accepted until March 10, 2023 (7 business days before the March 21st meeting). Written comments can be submitted in the following ways:

- Email address: **<u>boardofvisitors@vsu.edu</u>**
- Mailing address: Board of Visitors, P. O. Box 9001, Virginia State University, VA 23806
- Hand Delivery: Board of Visitors, c/o The Office of the President, Virginia Hall, Third Floor.

All comments will become a part of the public record. The Board will not respond to oral or written comments.