RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE DEMOLITION OF UNIVERSITY BUILDING – BUILDING NO. 0748 (TOBACCO BARN NUMBER 3)

The university requests approval to demolish Building No. 0748 (Tobacco Barn Number 3). This facility is a 1,296 gross square foot wood framed barn. It is located at the Southwest Virginia Agricultural Research and Extension Center, 12326 VPI Farm Road, Glade Spring, Virginia.

Constructed in 1953, the building was used for curing tobacco and housed small individual chambers for heated curing units. It has not been used for this purpose since the early 1980's, and has more recently been utilized for storage. The existing building has undergone age- and weather-related structural damage, is no longer viable for use as a storage building, and is beyond its useful life. Demolition of the existing building creates the opportunity for expanding pasture access for research programs, and improved utilization of the adjacent structures and site. The university will obtain review from the Department of Historic Resources and the Art and Architecture Review Board, and any required approvals prior to the demolition of this structure.

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WHEREAS, under the 2006 Management Agreement between the Commonwealth of Virginia and the university, the Board of Visitors has the authority to approve the disposition of any building; and

WHEREAS, the Building No. 0748 is located at the Southwest Virginia Agricultural Research and Extension Center, 12326 VPI Farm Road, Glade Spring, Virginia, is 1,296 gross square feet, is in excess of 68 years old, is a wood framed barn originally constructed to cure tobacco, was then utilized for storage for approximately 40 years, has age- and weather-related structural damage and is beyond it's useful life; and

WHEREAS, the university seeks to expand pasture access for research programs through this site, and create opportunity for improved utilization of the adjacent structures and site; and

WHEREAS, the university will obtain review from the Department of Historic Resources and the Art and Architecture Review Board, and any required approvals prior to the demolition of this structure;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Visitors approve the demolition of Building No. 0748, located at the Southwest Virginia Agricultural Research and Extension Center in Glade Spring, Virginia, in accordance with the applicable statues of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above resolution authorizing the demolition of Building No. 0748 be approved.

November 8, 2021