WHEREAS, Professor Bonnie Ownley, a distinguished Professor of Entomology and Plant Pathology in the UT Institute of Agriculture, is a highly-respected colleague, educator and citizen within and outside the university community; and

WHEREAS, she has served with distinction as President of the Faculty Senate during the 2016-2017 academic year, providing strong leadership to ensure the effectiveness of the Faculty Senate in shared governance, working to enhance relationships between the Senate and the greater University community with a perfect balance of assertive leadership and collegiality and good will; and

WHEREAS, she has helped advance the welfare of faculty, staff, and students by advocating for diversity and inclusion and support for the UT Pride Center as a faculty leader and also a facilitator of the STRIDE Program, and

WHEREAS, she has served the Faculty Senate and the faculty as a member of the Tennessee University Faculty Senates and the University Faculty Council and as a member and chair of various Faculty Senate, campus, and University committees and task forces, including the search committees for Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor for Development and Alumni Relations, and

WHEREAS, she has built strong and positive working relations with faculty, staff, students, alumni, board of trustees members, and administrators,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the University of Tennessee Faculty Senate expresses its sincere appreciation to Dr. Bonnie Ownley for her exemplary leadership and service to the Senate and the University of Tennessee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this Resolution be presented to Bonnie Ownley and that the Resolution become part of the minutes of the Senate meeting held on September 18, 2017.

Sadie Hutson, Ph.D., RN
Secretary

Beauvais Lyons, MFA
President