

APPENDIX A: ACTIONS OF THE JUNE 9, 2025, MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

VOTED that the Board of Regents adopts the Consent Agenda, which constitutes the approval of all action items listed therein. [2025.06.01]

VOTED that the Board of Regents approves the minutes of the April 7, 2025, meeting of the Board of Regents.

VOTED that the Board of Regents approves the proposed slate of candidates for appointment or reappointment to seven (7) Smithsonian Institution Advisory Boards.

VOTED that the Board of Regents approves the proposed amendments to the bylaws of the National Museum of African Art Advisory Board.

VOTED that the Board of Regents approves the proposed amendments to the bylaws of the National Museum of the American Latino Advisory Board.

VOTED that the Board of Regents recognizes the generosity of the late Lauren Smith and authorizes the Cooper Hewitt, Smithsonian Design Museum to allocate the gift, and future distributions from the estate, to support its exhibition expenses associated with commemorating America's 250th.

VOTED that the Board of Regents recognizes the generosity of John and Adrienne Mars to the Smithsonian's National Zoological Park and Conservation Biology Institute and names the John and Adrienne Mars MinShan Mountains Abode for 10 years.

VOTED that the Board of Regents creates a quasi-endowment for the benefit of the National Museum of American History to support the agriculture collections. Further, the Board of Regents authorizes the transfer of the funds identified for this purpose.

VOTED that the Board of Regents recognizes the generosity of Charles and Lisa Simonyi to the National Air and Space Museum and accepts the gift.

VOTED that the Board of Regents recognizes the generosity of GE Aerospace to the National Air and Space Museum and names the LaunchPad Classrooms the "GE Aerospace Classrooms" for a period of three (3) years.

The Board of Regents approved a motion accepting a gift for the National Air and Space Museum. At the request of the donor details are being treated as confidential until publicly announced.

VOTED that the Board of Regents recognizes the generosity of Airbus Americas, Inc. to the National Air and Space Museum and extends the naming of the Airbus IMAX Theater through 2028. [2025.06.02]

VOTED that the Board of Regents approves the fiscal year 2027 federal budget priorities proposed by the Secretary. [2025.06.03]

VOTED that the Board of Regents approves a 5 percent payout from the Smithsonian endowment in fiscal year 2026 to support programmatic and administrative activity. The Board further approves up to 0.5 percent payout from the Smithsonian endowment in fiscal year 2026 to support advancement activity. The payout shall be calculated based on the trailing 20-quarter average market value of the Smithsonian Endowment Fund. [2025.06.04]

VOTED that the Board of Regents approves the proposed funding strategy to construct, operate, and maintain a state-of-the-art public Arabian Leopard exhibition at the National Zoological Park contingent on a \$50 million gift/endowment from the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. [2025.06.05]

VOTED that the Board of Regents accept the Secretary's recommendation and exercise their authority and responsibility for managing the Smithsonian, its content, and its workforce, by directing the Secretary 1) to articulate specific expectations to museum directors regarding content, 2) to give museum directors reasonable time to make any needed changes to ensure unbiased content, and 3) to report back to the Board on progress and any needed personnel changes based on success or lack thereof in making the needed changes. [2025.06.06]