



PRESIDENTIAL PROCLAMATION HONORING DR. KATHLEEN REID

WHEREAS, Dr. Kathleen Reid, Professor of Economics, has dedicated her career to Shepherd University from August 1983 through May 2025, representing 27% of the University's history; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Reid has served with distinction for 35 years as the Chair of the Economics Department, where she played a pivotal role in the merger that created the Economics and Finance Department, and contributed to the development of its curricula, shaping the educational experience for generations of students; and

WHEREAS, as Associate Dean for the College of Business for six years, Dr. Reid was instrumental in the successful process of achieving IACBE accreditation, which elevated the academic standing of the College and ensured the continued excellence of its business programs; and

WHEREAS, throughout her illustrious career, Dr. Reid has been a dedicated mentor, advisor, and advocate for faculty, staff, and students. She has provided invaluable guidance to junior faculty, helping them navigate their careers and thrive in the academic environment, while serving thousands of Shepherd University students as both an academic advisor and an instructor, leaving a lasting impact on their academic and professional journeys; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Reid's unwavering commitment to education, mentorship, and service has positively influenced the lives of countless students, many of whom have gone on to successful careers in economics, business, and beyond. Her teaching and leadership have instilled a passion for learning, critical thinking, and professional integrity in her students, fostering an environment where they could grow both intellectually and personally; and

WHEREAS, with her retirement, Dr. Reid has reached an important milestone, marking the end of a remarkable era of dedication to Shepherd University;

THEREFORE, LET IT BE PROCLAIMED, THAT the entire Shepherd University community celebrates and honors the outstanding accomplishments of Dr. Kathleen Reid, whose influence has shaped the University's success and the lives of its students; and

FURTHER, LET IT BE PROCLAIMED, THAT personal best wishes are extended to Dr. Reid through this Presidential Proclamation on the occasion of her retirement, with gratitude for her unwavering commitment to excellence in higher education.

Mary J.C. Hendrix, Ph.D.
President