

# Certification No. 21

## Academic Year 2023-2024


*I, Claribel Cabán Sosa*, Secretary of the Academic Senate of the University of Puerto Rico, Río Piedras Campus, **HERBY CERTIFY THAT:**

The Academic Senate, during its ordinary meeting held on September 7, 2023, agreed by majority:

### RESOLUTION ON BUDGET

- Whereas: The action of the Fiscal Oversight Board of reducing the budget of the University of Puerto Rico by nearly 50% has critically harmed the University of Puerto Rico, Río Piedras Campus as a research institution.
- Whereas: Within five years the University of Puerto Rico, Río Piedras Campus, will cease to be a research institution, let alone a R1/R2 University, for a hopeful future of Puerto Rico.
- Whereas: Without a research university, the future of Puerto Rico will be bleak in the 21st century knowledge-based economy.
- Therefore: The Academic Senate requests (in writing) that the US President and the US Congress (House and Senate) instruct the Fiscal Oversight Board to restore the budget of the University of Puerto Rico, Río Piedras Campus to be able to continue functioning as an R1/R2 University.

**And in witness thereof**, I hereby issue the present Certification with the seal of the University of Puerto Rico, Río Piedras Campus, on the twelfth day of September of the year two thousand and twenty-three.

  
Claribel Cabán Sosa  
Secretary of the Academic Senate

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I certify as correct:

  
Mirerza González Vélez  
President Pro Tempore

