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Higher Education Research and Protection Law Certification of Compliance

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I certify, under penalty of perjury and the loss of funding to my institution (listed below), that my institution has complied with the requirements in Tex. Educ. Code Chapter 51B currently in effect:

Member Institution/Agency: Texas Southern University

Chief Executive Officer: James W. Crawford, III - President

☑ I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51B.103, this institution does not provide any benefit to a student organization that accepts a gift from a foreign adversary or an agent of a foreign adversary or enters into a contract or agreement with a foreign adversary or agent of a foreign adversary under which the student organization receives financial support.

☑ I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51B.153(a), this institution has established a research security office.

☑ I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51B.201, this institution has established an international travel approval and monitoring program which uses a risk-based framework for employment related foreign travel, including health, safety, and security factors. Such program requires preapproval for certain employment related foreign travel to foreign adversary countries.

☑ I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51B.251, this institution has not, after publication of the list of prohibited software by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board on March 5, 2026, entered into or renewed a contract to provide testing, tutoring, or other education software included on that list.

☑ I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51B.301, this institution is in compliance with the provisions Tex. Educ. Code Chapter 51B currently in effect.

☑ I certify, in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code § 51.301(a), that no state appropriations to this institution for FY27 have been spent prior to submission of this certification report for FY26 to the Governor, Legislature, the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, and Higher Education Research Security Council.

☑ I understand the State Auditor's Office will periodically conduct a compliance audit for this institution and if violations of Tex. Educ. Code Chapter 51B are found, this institution must cure the violation within 180 days or become ineligible to receive formula funding increases, institutional enhancements, or exceptional items during the state fiscal biennium immediately following the state fiscal biennium in which the determination is made.

I certify that all information in this submission is true, accurate, and complete.

Failure to return a certification form to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board by September 1, 2026, will be considered an act of non-compliance with the law and can subject the above referenced institution to all penalties allowed by law.

Signature of Institution's President/CEO

J. W. Crawford III
Vice Admiral, JAGC, U.S. Navy (Retired)

8.19.26
Date Signed

Signature of Institution's Board Chair

The Honorable
James M. Benham

8/19/26
Date Signed