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## BOARD OF REGENTS

### 2. REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY

#### **Policy 2.I: Institutional Neutrality Political and Social Expression by Regents**

The Board of Regents recognizes the individual right of its members to express opinions on matters of social and political concern. In accordance with Article 2.A of the Laws of the Regents, unless the Board of Regents specifically determines otherwise, an individual regent's expression of opinion on matters of social or political concern does not constitute an expression by the Board of Regents. In discharging their duties or otherwise exercising official authority granted to the Board of Regents, regents remain obligated to uphold their fiduciary duties to the university.

The Board of Regents adopts the principle of "institutional neutrality" in social and political matters, unless it determines that the issue directly affects the university, is detrimental to the achievement of the university's mission and purposes, and/or threatens academic freedom.

Therefore, the Board may approve exceptions to this principle, based on compelling evidence that a position or action is in the best interest of the university.

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