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-OFFICE OF THE HONORARY TAPPING CHAIRMAN-

Dear Florida Blue Key Member:

The spring semester brings an exciting time for Florida Blue Key as it is time to begin the honorary tapping process. Honorary tapping provides Florida Blue Key with an opportunity to recognize the individuals who have contributed their time and directed their efforts to better the University of Florida, Florida Blue Key, and the state of Florida.

Honorary members enjoy the recognition of Florida's most prestigious leadership honorary and will contribute to the chapter through their knowledge, experience, and years of leadership. Honorary members also have the unique opportunity to engage with alumni and active membership through participation in Florida Blue Key events.

As a member of Florida Blue Key, the chapter and the Honorary Tapping Committee would deeply appreciate your input on who should be considered for membership. Enclosed you will find the requirements necessary to qualify as a nominee. Please remember that the primary criterion for becoming an honorary member is service to the University of Florida. If you know of an exemplary individual whom you feel is worthy of such membership, please submit the attached application to Clay Hurdle at honorartapping@fbk.org by Monday, March 4, 2019. The application can also be found on our website, www.fbk.org.

The Honorary Tapping Committee will meet to discuss the applicants, and the active chapter will vote on the individuals recommended by the committee at the following chapter. The new honorary members will be recognized at the spring tapping banquet the evening of Sunday, April 28th. We welcome you to attend the banquet and celebrate the honorary tapping class of Spring 2019. More information will be provided after the honorary tapping class is selected.

On behalf of the Honorary Tapping Committee and the active chapter, I would like to thank you for your time and consideration into this important matter. If you have any questions concerning honorary tapping, please feel free to contact me at honorartapping@fbk.org, or Kylie Werk at president@fbk.org.

Sincerely,

J. "Clay" Hurdle
Honorary Tapping Chairman



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Honorary Tapping Criteria

The bylaws of Florida Blue Key outline the requirements for honorary membership. The Honorary Tapping Committee will make recommendations for honorary membership to the active chapter of Florida Blue Key at the annual spring tapping meeting. Upon approval by a majority of the active chapter, the recommended nominees will be offered membership in Florida Blue Key.

ARTICLE IV. SECTION 5.

- B. Honorary Tapping Criteria. The Honorary Tapping Committee shall determine whether nominees comply with the following criteria for honorary membership. The nominee must:
- (i) have manifested a continued and sustained interest in the welfare of the University of Florida, or have contributed to the University by an extraordinary act of service;
 - (ii) have made some outstanding contribution toward the betterment of the University of Florida without hope or expectation of reward; or
 - (iii) if he or she holds public office or is employed by the University for a minimum of four (4) years, have complied with the above criteria and rendered unselfish, outstanding and meritorious service to the University, outside of the scope of office or employment.



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FLORIDA BLUE KEY 2019 HONORARY TAPPING -NOMINATION FORM-

Nominee's Biographical Information:

Nominee: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Nominator's Biographical Information:

Nominator: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Please return the **nomination form** along with the nominee's **résumé** and **letters of recommendation** in Microsoft Word or PDF format to Clay Hurdle by e-mailing honorarytapping@fbk.org, or by mail: Florida Blue Key, 3100 J. Wayne Reitz Union, P.O. Box 118505, Gainesville, Florida 32611. The nomination form must include the **nominee's** current address, telephone number, and e-mail to be considered. The deadline for nomination forms and supporting material is **Monday, March 4**. If mailed, the nomination materials must be postmarked no later than Tuesday, February 26. Upon honorary membership, the initiation fee of \$200 can be paid by either the nominator or nominee. For more information, please contact Clay Hurdle at honorarytapping@fbk.org or Kylie Werk at president@fbk.org.