RESOLUTION TO RENAME JOHN JAMES AUDUBON ROAD

Approved by the Professional Staff Senate, January 27, 2022

WHEREAS, the University at Buffalo has been critiquing and renaming roads and buildings on the University at Buffalo campuses due to revelations that some building and roadway namesakes identified were of ill moral character not befitting a distinguished university

WHEREAS, these individuals are not deserving of positive endorsement or recognition.

WHEREAS, John James Audubon bought and sold people as slaves and publicly denounced the emancipation of slaves in the United States of America as revealed by the Audubon Society in this article dated July 30, 2020:The Myth of John James Audubon | Audubon

WHEREAS, John James Audubon committed both academic fraud and plagiarism, having copied work of other scientists and having claimed art work completed by his assistant to be his own.

WHEREAS, students who commit academic fraud and or plagiarism can be expelled from the University at Buffalo or have their academic records receive negative entries for such an infraction.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Professional Staff requests that the President of the University at Buffalo have the campus portion of the roadway currently designated as John James Audubon renamed as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted by: PSS Inclusion and Diversity Chair and Vice-chairs

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***We submit this resolution to UB President Tripathi, his administrative cabinet and the UB Council on this the 1st day of February 2022.***