

**WILLIAM & MARY  
APPROVAL OF THE NAME OF THE NEW SCHOOL TO BE ESTABLISHED  
AT WILLIAM & MARY**

**WHEREAS**, at its meeting on November 17, 2023, the William & Mary Board of Visitors passed a resolution approving the establishment of a new school to include initially the departments of applied science, computer science, and physics and the data science program;

**WHEREAS**, letters of support have been received from presidents and/or provosts of several universities in the Commonwealth of Virginia, including the University of Virginia, Virginia Tech, Old Dominion University, and Virginia Commonwealth University;

**WHEREAS**, letters of support have been received from several national and state-level companies and organizations, including: Jefferson Lab, MITRE, the Computing Research Association, the Virginia Economic Development Partnership, the Virginia Chamber of Commerce, the Dragonfli Group, ManTech International Corporation, Williams Mullen, and the Virginia Microelectronics Consortium;

**WHEREAS**, based on marketing data and conversations with several institutional constituencies, the recommended name for the new school is the School of Computing, Data Sciences, and Physics;

**WHEREAS**, on March 14, 2024, William & Mary formally submitted to SCHEV a proposal to establish the School of Computing, Data Sciences, and Physics; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposal to SCHEV includes a clear rationale for the establishment of the school and a comprehensive draft budget for the first three years of operation of the school;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the William & Mary Board of Visitors reaffirms its resolution to establish a new school that will initially include the existing departments of applied science, computer science, and physics, and the program in data science; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That upon the recommendation of the President and the Provost, the William & Mary Board of Visitors approves the naming of the new school as the School of Computing, Data Sciences, and Physics.