

# MEMORIAL RESOLUTION ON THE PASSING OF FREDRIC GERSON LEVIN

**Whereas**, Fredric Gerson Levin graduated third in his class from the University of Florida School of Law in 1961; and

**Whereas**, Fredric Gerson Levin practiced law in Pensacola, Florida, with the law firm of Levin & Askew (now known as Levin Papantonio Rafferty) for sixty years; and

**Whereas**, Fredric Gerson Levin was instrumental in obtaining a \$13 billion settlement from tobacco companies to help offset the cost to the State of Florida for Medicaid payments incurred for treatment of smoking-related illnesses; and

**Whereas**, Fredric Gerson Levin was dedicated to the College of Law, donating \$10 million in 1999, following which the name of the law school was changed to Levin College of Law, and donating an additional \$2 million to the Martin H. Levin Advocacy Center in 2006;

**Whereas**, Fredric Gerson Levin died on January 12, 2021, after an extended illness causing a loss to the University of Florida Levin College of Law that can never be filled;

## **Therefore, Be It Resolved That:**

1. The Trustees of the University of Florida Law Center Association express their sympathy to the family of Fredric Gerson Levin and celebrate his life and accomplishments with his family;
2. The Trustees of the University of Florida Law Center Association express their sympathy to the partners and members of the Levin Papantonio Rafferty law firm, to his synagogue community, and to the residents of Pensacola, Florida; and
3. A copy of this Resolution be given to Fredric Gerson Levin's family and the law firm of Levin Papantonio Rafferty; that it be published in appropriate publications; and that this Resolution be entered into the records of the University of Florida Law Center Association.

**Done This** 30<sup>th</sup> day of January 2021, by the Trustees of the University of Florida Law Center Association.

*Adopted unanimously by the voting membership of the Law Center Association during its Winter 2021 Business Meeting.*