EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

This Employment Agreement ("Agreement") is made and entered into as of this 19th day of October, 2021, by and between BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY AND AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE ("LSU"), a body corporate existing under the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana, herein represented by William F. Tate, IV, its duly authorized President, and Edward J. Orgeron, Jr. ("EMPLOYEE"):

- 1. <u>Definitions</u>. For purposes of this Agreement, the following terms shall have the meaning shown:
 - A. "President": The President or Interim President of LSU.
 - B. "Athletics Director": The Director of Athletics at LSU.
 - C. "Base Salary": The monthly sum of \$500,000.
 - D. "Option Salary": The monthly sum of \$150,000.
 - E. "Position": Head Football Coach of the Team.
 - F. "Start Date": October 18, 2021.
 - G. "End Date": November 30, 2021.
 - H. "Program": The intercollegiate football program at LSU Baton Rouge.
 - I. "Team": The intercollegiate athletic team which is a part of the Program.
- 2. <u>Term.</u> The term ("Term") of this Agreement shall be for a definite term, commencing on the Start Date and ending on the End Date unless extended in accordance with Section 4 of this Agreement or terminated sooner in accordance with Section 9 of this Agreement.
- 3. <u>Employment.</u> LSU does hereby employ EMPLOYEE in the Position for the Term. EMPLOYEE will report directly to the Athletics Director. It is the goal of the parties that EMPLOYEE will serve in such position throughout the term of this Agreement and will devote attention on a full-time basis to the duties described in this Agreement.
- 4. Post-Season Option. In the event that the Team accepts a post-season bowl bid, and LSU exercises the option to extend the Term of this Agreement through the date that the bowl game is played and completed ("Extended Term"), EMPLOYEE shall continue employment through the Extended Term and shall be compensated at the Option Salary for the Extended Term, with any partial month prorated. The exercise of the option by LSU under this Section shall be made in writing to EMPLOYEE. If LSU exercises the option under this Section, EMPLOYEE shall be entitled to Post-Season Incentive Compensation in the amount of \$25,000. Post-Season Incentive Compensation is additional compensation for the extra services required of EMPLOYEE in the preparation for and participation in post-season play and, if payable, shall be paid within 60 days following the

final post-season game in which Team participates. If EMPLOYEE does not actively coach the Team in the Position for any reason, EMPLOYEE shall not be entitled to Post-Season Incentive Compensation.

- 5. <u>Duties and Responsibilities</u>. EMPLOYEE's duties and responsibilities shall include the following, all subject to law, LSU policy, and the directives, input, and advice of the President and the Athletics Director:
 - A. Administering, managing, and leading the Program in a professionally appropriate and competent manner which allows the Team to effectively compete in the football classification generally known as the Power Five, within National Collegiate Athletic Association ("NCAA") play;
 - B. Hiring and firing (subject to appropriate budget approvals, such approvals not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed) and managing the assistant coaches and other athletic staff necessary and appropriate to assist EMPLOYEE in meeting the responsibilities herein;
 - C. Performing all duties reasonably assigned to EMPLOYEE by the Athletics Director so long as such duties are consistent with those duties typically assigned to Head Coaches at colleges or universities at the same competitive level as LSU;
 - D. Promoting and monitoring the success of the Team and its student-athletes both athletically and academically;
 - E. Directing the Team, including management of staff, budget, and other resources;
 - F. Understanding and agreeing that EMPLOYEE and EMPLOYEE's staff, with the reasonable assistance of LSU, are bound by and must be reasonably knowledgeable of and comply with: (1) all applicable federal and state laws governing intercollegiate athletics; and (2) all governing constitutions, by-laws, rules, policies, interpretations, and regulations of the NCAA, the Southeastern Conference ("SEC") and/or LSU (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Governing Athletics Regulations");
 - G. Promptly reporting any known or reasonably suspected violation of Governing Athletics Regulations to the Athletics Director and the Director of Compliance;
 - H. Understanding and complying with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 and LSU policies on Title IX and sexual misconduct, including but not limited to Permanent Memorandum 73 ("PM-73") and, as a Responsible Person under PM-73, understanding and complying with the obligation to report incidents of sexual misconduct (including sexual harassment and sexual violence) and other inappropriate sexual conduct of which EMPLOYEE has knowledge or receives notice to LSU's Title IX Coordinator and other appropriate designee as required by PM-73;

- I. Understanding and complying with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, other federal laws, state law, and LSU policies on equal opportunity and discrimination, including, but not limited to, Permanent Memorandum 55;
- J. Cooperating fully in any investigation of possible violations of any Governing Athletics Regulations conducted or authorized by LSU, the SEC, or the NCAA at any time, and cooperating fully in any LSU internal investigation or inquiry;
- K. Reasonably observing, respecting, and promoting the principles of institutional control in the Program;
- L. Reasonably understanding, observing, upholding, and promoting LSU's written academic standards, requirements, and policies, and reasonably promoting an environment in which admissions, financial aid, academic services for student-athletes, and recruiting can be conducted consistent with LSU's mission;
- M. Cultivating and maintaining reasonable interaction with the Board of Supervisors, affiliated foundations, athletic conferences, institutional alumni, the media, the public, students, faculty, staff and other members of the LSU community, in accordance with the policies and instructions of the Athletics Director;
- N. Performing all duties in a manner consistent with good sportsmanship and in accordance with the high moral, ethical, and academic standards of the Department of Athletics and LSU;
- O. Using reasonable efforts, through due care and supervision, to ensure that all student-athletes and other individuals under or subject to EMPLOYEE's control, authority, or supervision comply with all Governing Athletics Regulations and act in accordance with the high moral, ethical, and academic standards of the Program and LSU;
- P. Using reasonable efforts to promote the goal of LSU that every student-athlete obtains an undergraduate degree, and reasonably cooperating with academic counselors or similar persons designated by LSU to assist student-athletes and the faculty and administrators of LSU in connection with the academic pursuits of student-athletes;
- Q. Understanding and complying with NCAA Bylaw 11.1.1.1, which provides: "An institution's head coach is presumed to be responsible for the actions of all institutional staff members who report, directly or indirectly, to the head coach. An institution's head coach shall promote an atmosphere of compliance within his or her program and shall monitor the activities of all institutional staff members involved with the program who report, directly or indirectly, to the coach;" and
- R. Performing all other reasonable duties customarily performed by head football coaches serving at colleges or universities that compete in the NCAA Power Five or at the same competitive level as LSU.

- **Base Salary.** LSU agrees to pay EMPLOYEE the Base Salary on a monthly basis, with partial months prorated, for the Term, subject to Section 4.
- 7. Retirement and Fringe Benefits. For the Term and any Extended Term, EMPLOYEE shall be entitled to the following benefits, part of which may be paid from affiliated foundation funds:
 - A. Retirement and fringe benefit programs available to all unclassified professional LSU employees, with contributions and benefit amounts as defined by law. EMPLOYEE understands and agrees that no contributions for purposes of any State of Louisiana retirement program will be made by LSU or withheld from EMPLOYEE's compensation except as to the Base Salary and any earned Post-Season Incentive Compensation, and EMPLOYEE shall not be entitled to any retirement benefits that may otherwise be attributable to any other compensation paid pursuant to this Agreement. EMPLOYEE further acknowledges that sums paid under Sections 5 (Sports Camps), 7 (Supplemental Compensation) and 10 (Additional Revenue) shall not be considered "base pay," "earned compensation," or "earnable compensation" as such terms are defined under Louisiana law, and shall not be included as compensation for the purpose of computation of retirement benefits. Retirement contributions are subject to the limitations of federal law and Louisiana law.
 - B. Tickets to home, away and postseason contests for football and other sports, subject to existing LSU regulations and policies.
 - C. Membership(s) in a social club, such as the University Club of Baton Rouge, provided that: (i) LSU business-related (non-personal) expenses incurred in accordance with LSU and foundation policy will be reimbursed from affiliated foundation funds; and (ii) EMPLOYEE shall be responsible for payment of all personal charges and charges unrelated to LSU business. Notwithstanding the foregoing EMPLOYEE shall not be personally responsible for expenses authorized and incurred by EMPLOYEE and EMPLOYEE's staff in connection with the ordinary functions associated with an intercollegiate football program, and in accordance with LSU policy.
 - D. Mobile communications device and service for business purposes.
 - E. The opportunity to invite guest(s) for travel to athletic events on chartered commercial transportation subject to approval by the Athletics Director.
 - F. An automobile entitlement of (1) an annual automobile allowance in an amount not to exceed \$2,000 per month or, to the extent consistent with state ethics law, use of two courtesy vehicles provided by a dealership; and (2) related automobile insurance.
 - G. As part of any third-party apparel and/or equipment related contract with LSU, EMPLOYEE acknowledges and agrees that Team may be provided and/or allocated apparel and/or equipment from and by LSU, which apparel and equipment

shall be used in conjunction with all LSU and team-related activities, including LSU-related promotional, broadcast, media and appearance activities.

8. Additional Revenue.

- A. Subject to compliance with Governing Athletics Regulations, including but not limited to current NCAA Bylaw 11.2.2 and 11.3.2, and LSU Permanent Memorandum 11 ("PM-11"), EMPLOYEE may earn or receive other revenue ("Additional Revenue") while employed by LSU, including working with sports camps or clinics, provided, however, that EMPLOYEE shall obtain prior written approval from the Athletics Director before engaging in any commercial or private venture, including the use of EMPLOYEE's name by any commercial, public or private entity, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed. EMPLOYEE shall report annually to the President and the Athletics Director, in writing, in compliance with NCAA Bylaws 11.2.2, 11.3.2.1, and 11.3.2.1.1, and any applicable LSU policy, all athletically-related income or benefits received by EMPLOYEE from sources outside LSU, and LSU shall have reasonable access to all records of EMPLOYEE to verify this report. LSU does not guarantee any amount of Additional Revenue.
- B. Without the prior written approval of the Athletics Director, EMPLOYEE shall not appear on, or in, any radio, television, or internet programs or other electronic medium other than those produced or sponsored by LSU, or appear in or make any advertisement or make any commercial endorsement. No approval is required for routine news media interviews for which no compensation is received.

9. Termination and Suspension.

- A. **Termination by LSU for Cause.** This Agreement may be terminated for "cause" by LSU, acting through the President, at any time prior to its expiration, upon written notice to EMPLOYEE. With respect to any "termination for cause," LSU acknowledges that it is not its intent to terminate EMPLOYEE "for cause: for minor, technical or otherwise immaterial violations.
 - 1. For purposes of this Section, "cause" for termination shall be defined particularly but not exclusively as:
 - a. Committing a material and substantial violation (including repeated lesser violations) of Governing Athletics Regulations; failing promptly to report any such violation by another person to the Director of Compliance; or committing a material and substantial violation of any LSU policies, rules, or procedures that are within the scope and/or meet the definition of Governing Athletics Regulations;
 - b. Committing a material and substantial violation of Governing Athletics Regulations involving any aspect of the Program by any other person if either: (i) the violation occurs or continues to occur

after EMPLOYEE knew or had constructive knowledge that it was about to occur or was occurring, or (ii) EMPLOYEE failed to establish and maintain reasonable policies and procedures, or to follow reasonable policies and procedures established in writing by the Athletic Department for the Program to prevent violations of Governing Athletics Regulations from occurring and to detect promptly any such violations which may occur;

- c. Committing or being convicted of either: (i) any felony, or (ii) any misdemeanor involving gambling, drugs, or alcohol;
- d. Engaging in serious misconduct which either: (i) displays a continual, serious disrespect or continual, serious disregard for the mission of LSU; (ii) brings EMPLOYEE into substantial public disrepute sufficient to materially impair EMPLOYEE's ability to perform the obligations contained herein without material adverse impact on the Team or Program; or (iii) constitutes moral turpitude or breaches the high moral and ethical standards applicable to EMPLOYEE as a visible representative of LSU, including but not limited to, acts of dishonesty, misrepresentation, fraud, or violence that may or may not rise to level of warranting criminal prosecution by the relevant authorities;
- e. Unreasonable refusal or repeated failure to perform any duties imposed upon EMPLOYEE herein (including, but not limited to, those duties specified in this Agreement), or failing to perform the same to the best of EMPLOYEE's reasonable ability;
- f. Prolonged absence from LSU without consent, which will not be unreasonably withheld;
- g. Committing fraud in the performance of any duties and responsibilities herein, either with intent or reckless disregard for the truth, including but not limited to fraud or dishonesty in any written or verbal statements, including résumés, provided by EMPLOYEE to LSU in the application process or fraud in the preparation, falsification, or alteration of documents or records of LSU, the NCAA, or the SEC, or documents or records pertaining to any recruit or student athlete, including without limitation transcripts, eligibility forms, and compliance reports; or knowingly permitting any other person to commit such fraud;
- h. Failure to respond reasonably accurately and fully within a reasonable time to any reasonable requests or inquiry relating to the performance of any duties herein or at any prior employment at any other institution of higher learning propounded by LSU, the NCAA, the SEC or any other governing body having supervision over the

- athletic programs of LSU or such other institution of higher education, or required by law or Governing Athletics Regulations; or knowingly permitting any other person to fail to so respond;
- i. Participation in any gambling, bookmaking, wagering, or betting involving any athletic contest whether by soliciting, placing, or accepting a bet or wager or through a bookmaker, a pool, or any other method of gambling; or knowingly permitting any student athlete or other individual under EMPLOYEE's control, authority, or supervision to participate in such activity;
- j. Providing information or data, other than information or data provided to the general public through public presentation, relating in any manner to any intercollegiate sport or to any student athlete to any individual whom EMPLOYEE knows (or has constructive knowledge) to be a gambler, better, or bookmaker, or an agent of any such person; or knowingly permitting any student athlete or other individual under EMPLOYEE's control, authority, or supervision to furnish such information or data;
- k. Use or consumption of alcoholic beverages or controlled substances, steroids, or other drugs or chemicals to such degree and for such appreciable period as to substantially impair EMPLOYEE's ability to perform the duties herein;
- Sale, purchase, use or possession of any controlled substances, steroids, or other drugs or chemicals, the sale, purchase, use, or possession of which by EMPLOYEE is prohibited by law or Governing Athletics Rules. The provisions of this subsection do not prohibit the use or possession of substances or drugs lawfully prescribed by a healthcare provider, and used in accordance therewith.
- m. Knowingly encouraging or allowing the sale, purchase, use, or possession by any student athlete or other individual under EMPLOYEE's control, authority, or supervision of any controlled substances, steroids, or other drugs or chemicals, the sale, purchase, use, or possession of which by such person is prohibited by law or Governing Athletics Rules;
- n. Failing reasonably to cooperate in the investigation and enforcement of Governing Athletics Regulations or in any LSU internal investigation or inquiry; or knowingly permitting any other person to fail to cooperate in such investigation and enforcement;
- o. Subject to any right of administrative appeal permitted or granted to EMPLOYEE by the NCAA or SEC, any finding or determination

by the NCAA, SEC, or any commission, committee, council, or tribunal of the same, of any major or repetitive violations by EMPLOYEE of NCAA or SEC rules, or of any such major or repetitive violations by others under the direct supervision of EMPLOYEE which were knowingly and intentionally permitted, encouraged, or condoned by EMPLOYEE, or about which violations EMPLOYEE knew or should have known and should have acted reasonably to prevent, limit, or mitigate (it is recognized that this subsection includes findings or determinations of violations during employment of EMPLOYEE at any other institution of higher education);

- p. Failing to report promptly to the Director of Compliance any violations of Governing Athletics Regulations involving the Team of which EMPLOYEE has actual knowledge;
- q. Failure by EMPLOYEE to engage in, and use best efforts to ensure that personnel under EMPLOYEE's direct or indirect supervision engage in, safe and responsible treatment of student athletes on the Team, including without limitation failure to comply with any requirement pertaining to medical clearance for participation, or any other act or omission (including but not limited to physical and/or emotional abuse of student athletes) that creates, or could reasonably be expected to create, an unreasonable risk of harm to a student athlete;
- r. Failure to comply with LSU policies, rules and regulations concerning Title IX, including specifically but not exclusively the reporting of any incident of sexual misconduct in accordance with LSU's Title IX policy and PM-73; or
- s. Knowingly committing material violation(s) of the terms of this Agreement after failing to cure such violations within five (5) days' written notice of such violation.
- 2. In the event of termination for cause, EMPLOYEE's Base Salary, Fringe Benefits and all other compensation and benefits provided for in this Agreement shall terminate on the termination date, and LSU shall not thereafter be liable to EMPLOYEE for any sums or damages other than compensation and benefits earned, due, vested or accrued prior to the termination date. The termination date shall be the date on which the initial notice of termination is given, or on such later date as may be set forth by LSU in the notice of termination.
- 3. Prior to termination for cause, EMPLOYEE shall be provided with written notice of contemplated termination and a statement of the grounds and facts in support thereof and shall have two calendar days from receipt of such

notice to respond in writing and/or present documents or other written evidence to the Athletics Director. After review of any such response, the Athletics Director or the Athletics Director's designee shall provide EMPLOYEE written notice of a decision, which will be final.

4. As required by NCAA Bylaw 11.2.1, EMPLOYEE is hereby notified that in addition to the actions LSU may take in accordance with this Agreement, EMPLOYEE is also subject to disciplinary or corrective action as set forth in the provisions of the NCAA enforcement procedures if EMPLOYEE is found by the NCAA or LSU to be in violation of NCAA Bylaws. EMPLOYEE agrees that LSU shall implement any such disciplinary or corrective actions imposed by the NCAA. EMPLOYEE further understands that EMPLOYEE has an affirmative obligation to cooperate fully in the NCAA infractions process, including the investigation and adjudication of a case, pursuant to this Agreement and NCAA Bylaw 11.2.1, and that such obligation continues in effect during and beyond the termination of this Agreement for any violations alleged to have occurred during EMPLOYEE's employment by LSU.

B. Termination by LSU without Cause.

- 1. LSU shall have the right to terminate this Agreement without cause upon written notice to EMPLOYEE.
- 2. In the event of termination by LSU without cause, EMPLOYEE's Base Salary, Fringe Benefits, and all other compensation and benefits provided for in this Agreement shall terminate on the termination date, and LSU shall not thereafter be liable to EMPLOYEE for any sums or damages other than the liquidated damages provided for herein and any compensation and benefits earned, due, vested or accrued pursuant to this Agreement prior to the termination date. The termination date shall be the date on which notice of termination is given, or on such later date as may be set forth by LSU in the notice of termination.
- 3. If LSU terminates employment during the Term without cause, LSU will pay EMPLOYEE liquidated damages in the amount of Base Salary which would have been payable to EMPLOYEE through the remaining Term of the Agreement.
- 4. Liquidated damages under this Section will be paid in equal monthly installments over a period of time equal to the amount of time then remaining in the Term.
- 5. The parties have bargained for this liquidated damages provision giving consideration to the following. This is an agreement for personal services. The parties recognize that termination of this Agreement by LSU prior to its expiration by lapse of term would cause EMPLOYEE to lose

compensation, fringe benefits, certain other LSU-provided benefits, and possibly other income and benefits provided by third parties, which damages are impossible to determine with certainty. As such, the damages that may be suffered by EMPLOYEE in the event of a termination of this Agreement by LSU without cause are difficult to presently and accurately estimate. In addition, the parties expressly agree that the liquidated damages herein are not in any way a penalty.

C. Termination by EMPLOYEE Without Cause.

- 1. EMPLOYEE shall have the right to terminate this Agreement without cause upon written notice to LSU. In the event EMPLOYEE terminates this Agreement without cause, EMPLOYEE will pay LSU liquidated damages, in lieu of any and all other legal remedies or equitable relief. In the event of termination by EMPLOYEE without cause, EMPLOYEE's Base Salary, Fringe Benefits, and all other compensation and benefits provided for in this Agreement shall terminate on the termination date, which, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by LSU and EMPLOYEE, shall be the earlier of: (a) the date on which EMPLOYEE provides notice of termination to LSU; (b) the date on which EMPLOYEE accepts employment from another employer; or (c) the date on which EMPLOYEE performs any work or services of any kind or nature whatsoever on behalf of or for the benefit of another employer. LSU shall not thereafter be liable to EMPLOYEE for any sums or damages other than any compensation earned pursuant to this Agreement prior to the termination date. The Parties acknowledge that this provision is intended to obligate EMPLOYEE to repay unearned compensation and fees previously received under the premise that EMPLOYEE would fulfill the Term of this Agreement.
- 2. If EMPLOYEE terminates employment at any time before the End Date, EMPLOYEE will pay to LSU as liquidated damages in the amount of Base Salary which would have been payable to EMPLOYEE through the remaining Term of the Agreement. Such liquidated damages may be waived in the sole discretion of the President if EMPLOYEE is not in breach of this Agreement and the waiver would be in the best interests of LSU.
- 3. EMPLOYEE shall have the option to pay such amount in a lump sum or in equal monthly installments over a period of time equal to the amount of time then remaining in the Agreement.
- 4. The parties have bargained for this liquidated damages provision giving consideration to the following. This is an agreement for personal services. The parties recognize that termination of this Agreement by EMPLOYEE prior to its expiration by lapse of term would cause LSU to incur administrative, recruiting, and resettlement costs in obtaining a replacement coach for Team, in addition to potentially increased compensation costs and

loss of ticket revenues, which damages are impossible to determine with any certainty.

D. Suspension or Other Disciplinary Action.

- 1. In lieu of termination for cause, and apart from any rights it may have under this Agreement, LSU may impose disciplinary sanctions less severe than termination upon EMPLOYEE, up to and including suspension or leave without pay for a period no longer than 90 days for any act or omission which would be grounds for discipline or termination for cause. Imposition of such sanctions shall be at the discretion of LSU, which shall not be exercised arbitrarily or capriciously. Prior to suspension without pay under this provision, EMPLOYEE shall be provided written notice of the grounds for the suspension and shall have five calendar days from receipt of such notice to respond in writing to the Athletics Director. After review of any such response, the Athletics Director or the Athletics Director's designee(s) will provide EMPLOYEE with written notice of a decision and/or suspension.
- 2. Upon written notice and after reasonable opportunity to respond in writing, LSU may suspend EMPLOYEE for an indefinite period during any investigation by LSU, another governmental entity, or the NCAA or SEC to determine whether EMPLOYEE has violated any laws or Governing Athletics Regulations. During such suspension, EMPLOYEE shall receive only the Base Salary and any compensation earned but not yet paid as of the date of the suspension, along with fringe benefits provided under Section 9 of this Agreement, and shall not be entitled to receive any other benefits, compensation or remuneration set forth in this Agreement for the period of such suspension. If the matter giving rise to the suspension is finally resolved completely in favor of EMPLOYEE, and does not otherwise represent an independent basis for termination herein for cause, LSU shall pay or make available to EMPLOYEE the benefits and other compensation herein otherwise payable to EMPLOYEE during the period of suspension. Any such benefits which are payable pursuant to this Agreement by an affiliated foundation shall only be paid by such foundation, subject to its approval. Suspension under this subsection shall not limit any rights of LSU to terminate EMPLOYEE for cause.
- 3. EMPLOYEE shall be subject to disciplinary or corrective action by the NCAA or SEC for any violation of NCAA and SEC regulations, respectively. Such action by the NCAA or the SEC shall not preclude or in any manner affect LSU's right to take such other corrective or disciplinary action as it deems necessary or proper, including termination for cause.
- 4. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, if EMPLOYEE is suspended by the SEC or NCAA, EMPLOYEE shall automatically be suspended by LSU for the duration of the SEC or NCAA

imposed suspension without further notice or process. During such suspension, EMPLOYEE shall not be entitled to receive any compensation, benefits or any other payments under this Agreement except for fringe benefits provided under Section 9 of this Agreement.

- E. Waiver of Claims. The financial consequences of termination of this Agreement or suspension herein are exclusively set forth herein. Therefore, with the sole exception of payments required by this Agreement and those prescribed by the Termination Agreement effective as of October 18, 2021 (the "Termination Agreement"), in any instance of termination for cause or without cause, or suspension or other disciplinary sanction effected in accordance with the procedures established in this Agreement, neither EMPLOYEE nor LSU shall be entitled to receive, and each hereby waives any claim against the other, and their respective board members, officers, directors, agents, employees, successors, and personal representatives for consequential damages by reason of any alleged economic loss, including without limitation loss of collateral income, deferred income, loss of earning capacity, loss of business opportunity, loss of perquisites, loss of fees from speaking, camps or other outside activity, or damages allegedly sustained by reason of alleged humiliation or defamation or other noncompensatory and compensatory damages and attorney's fees resulting from the fact of termination, the public announcement thereof, or the release by LSU or EMPLOYEE of information or documents required by law. EMPLOYEE acknowledges that in the event of either termination of this Agreement for cause, without cause, or otherwise, or suspension or other disciplinary sanction effected in accordance with the procedures established in this Agreement, EMPLOYEE shall have no right to occupy the Position and that EMPLOYEE's sole remedies are provided herein and shall not extend to injunctive relief. EMPLOYEE further acknowledges and agrees that EMPLOYEE is not eligible for and will not be considered for or granted tenure by LSU.
- 10. Retention and Return of all Materials, Records, and Other Items. All documents, records, or materials, including without limitation personnel records, recruiting records, team information, films, statistics, or any other material or data furnished to EMPLOYEE by LSU or developed by EMPLOYEE on behalf of or at the expense of LSU or otherwise in connection with the employment of EMPLOYEE are and shall remain the sole and confidential property of LSU. Within 10 days of the expiration or termination of this Agreement, EMPLOYEE shall cause any such materials in EMPLOYEE's possession or control to be delivered to LSU. At the same time, EMPLOYEE shall return to LSU all credit cards, keys, computers, automobiles, mobile communication devices and other items belonging to LSU which were issued to or are in the possession of EMPLOYEE.

11. Leave and Overtime.

A. No Annual Leave. Because of the specific nature of EMPLOYEE's job duties and the irregular times during which EMPLOYEE will be required to perform those job duties, EMPLOYEE acknowledges and agrees that EMPLOYEE will not earn or accrue annual leave. EMPLOYEE's Base Salary has been mutually negotiated with

- this understanding, and both EMPLOYEE and LSU agree that the Base Salary would be less if EMPLOYEE were entitled to earn annual leave.
- B. **No Overtime.** EMPLOYEE qualifies and is designated as exempt under the Fair Labor Standards Act and is not entitled to any overtime pay or compensatory leave for work in excess of 40 hours in any workweek.
- C. **Sick Leave.** EMPLOYEE will accrue and use sick leave in accordance with LSU policy.
- 12. <u>Non-Assignment</u>. None of the parties to this Agreement may assign, transfer, alienate, or encumber any of its rights or obligations hereunder without the express written consent of the other parties, except as otherwise specifically set forth in this Agreement.
- 13. Entire Agreement. This Agreement constitute and express the entire agreement and understanding of the parties concerning the subject matter hereof beginning on the Effective Date. There are no oral or other agreements, understandings, promises, or representations between the parties affecting this Agreement. Both parties have relied solely on their own respective judgments in entering into this Agreement, with full opportunity to seek advice of competent counsel. The Agreement shall be construed, if necessary, without reference to the party that was the principal drafter of the Agreement.
- 14. <u>Indirect Actions Prohibited</u>. Any act which EMPLOYEE is prohibited from doing directly in this Agreement may not be done indirectly by EMPLOYEE or another person on EMPLOYEE's behalf or at EMPLOYEE's behest.
- 15. <u>Amendments to Agreement</u>. This Agreement may be amended only by a written instrument duly approved by LSU through its designated representatives and accepted by EMPLOYEE, such approval and acceptance to be acknowledged in writing.
- **Severability.** If any provision of this Agreement shall be deemed invalid or unenforceable, either in whole or in part, this Agreement shall be deemed amended to delete or modify, as necessary, the offending provision or to alter the bounds thereof in order to render it valid and enforceable.
- 17. No Waiver of Default. No waiver by the parties hereto of any default or breach of any covenant, term or condition of this Agreement shall be deemed to be a waiver of any other default or breach of the same or any other covenant, term or condition contained herein.
- 18. No Waiver of Sovereign Immunity. It is expressly agreed and understood between the parties that nothing contained herein shall be construed to constitute a waiver or relinquishment by LSU of any rights to claim such exemptions, privileges and immunities as may be provided by law.
- 19. <u>"Force Majeure" Clause.</u> Neither party shall be considered in default of performance of any obligations under this Agreement if such performance is prevented or delayed by Force Majeure. "Force Majeure" shall be understood to be any cause which is beyond the reasonable control of the party affected and which is forthwith, by notice from the party

affected, brought to the attention of the other party, including but not limited to war, hostilities, revolution, civil commotion, strike, lockout, epidemic, accident, fire, natural disaster, wind or flood or any requirements of law, or an act of God.

20. Governing Law and Venue. This Agreement shall be enforced and construed in accordance with the laws of Louisiana. Any civil action to enforce this Agreement shall be brought in a state or federal court having jurisdiction and domiciled in East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana.

THE PARTIES hereto, acknowledging that this Agreement is subject to approval of the Board of Supervisors, have executed this Agreement on the day, month and year first above written.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY AND AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE

By:	Data
William F. Tate, IV, President	Date
EMPLOYEE:	

RECOMMENDED:

Scott Woodward, Director of Athletics