

BOARD APPROVED JUNE 7, 2024

Cindy Ream Corporate Secretary

**To:** Members of the Board of Trustees

From: Patrick J. Wolfe, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and

Diversity

**Date:** May 22, 2024

**Re:** Approval to rename the Data Science Building to the Hall of Data Science and Al

On behalf of the Purdue for Life Foundation and the College of Science Dean, Lucy Flesch, I am respectfully requesting approval to:

Rename the Data Science Building by assigning it the name "Hall of Data Science and AI"

Construction of the Data Science Building has been completed. Furniture is being assembled, and IT infrastructure and building controls are now being installed and tested. The project is on schedule for a July 22, 2024, move-in.

The original selection of the Data Science Building name naturally reflected the breadth of work over the past couple of decades in the field of study across multiple academic disciplines at Purdue, including computer science, statistics, mathematics, and others. While the name was an appropriate reflection of Purdue's past and current renown in data science, broadening the name to include artificial intelligence will better reflect its future.

The focus and investment in artificial intelligence as a strategic part of the Purdue Computes initiative is already leading to growth in faculty research. The change to the building name will place it right in step with the critical mission of Purdue Computes.

Thank you for your consideration.

cc: Chairman Mike Berghoff
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