

**NSB-2024-10**

(Resolution relating to statement **NSB-2024-9**)  
February 22, 2024

**RESOLUTION**

**NATIONAL SCIENCE BOARD**

**U.S. EXTREMELY LARGE TELESCOPE PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the National Science Board statement NSB-AF-2024-4 acknowledges that the top recommendation of the *Pathways to Discovery in Astronomy and Astrophysics for the 2020s (Astro2020)* report for the National Science Foundation's ground based initiatives is investment in the U.S. Extremely Large Telescope (USELT) program;

WHEREAS, the National Science Foundation has many strategic priorities and supports education, discovery, and innovation in science and engineering fields that are critical to U.S. leadership, national security, and economic prosperity;

RESOLVED, that the National Science Board endorses the National Science Foundation's continued support for the USELT program and, pending the outcome of the appropriate internal review process, recommends that the Total Project Cost not exceed the Major Research Equipment and Facilities Construction account investment of \$1.6 billion proposed by *Astro2020*.