TRINITY COLLEGE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
RESOLUTION
HONORING THE LIFE OF
JILLIAN HEGARTY, CLASS OF 2024

WHEREAS, on April 1, 2022, Jillian Hegarty tragically passed away at Trinity far too young as the result of egregiously reckless driving that took from the world a student and an individual who had so much to give for its betterment;

WHEREAS, Jillian was adored by her family, and her numerous lifelong friends among those in the Trinity community and in her hometown of St. Johnsbury, Vermont;

WHEREAS, Jillian was a dedicated friend to so many ’neath the elms in her time at Trinity, but especially to her two friends she was with on April 1, both of whom have faced difficult recoveries;

WHEREAS, Jillian’s loss continues to be keenly felt among all those in the community, and whereas two Bantams, both friends of Jillian were seriously injured by the same reckless act and the student body is suffering from the trauma of this tragedy;

WHEREAS, Jillian was an outstanding and exemplary student at Trinity, pursuing studies in neuroscience, who embodied and embraced the very best of the liberal arts tradition in her academic pursuits, her enthusiasm for the life of the mind, and her searching inquiry for knowledge and truth;

WHEREAS, Jillian was a well-loved member of the diving team at Trinity, pursuing excellence and achievement in athletic competition as she pursued excellence in academics;

WHEREAS, the Trinity College Alumni Association is profoundly at a loss to express its gratitude for the joy of Jillian’s presence and participation in the campus community, and its grief at her loss;

WHEREAS, all who knew Jillian will remember always her grace, compassion, intellect, and dedication to the improvement of Trinity, of St. Johnsbury, and all institutions and places she touched.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. That the Trinity College Alumni Association expresses condolences to Jillian’s family and friends and extends its support to her family and community during the difficult weeks and months ahead;

2. That the Trinity College Alumni Association recognizes, by virtue of Article 3 of its Bylaws, effective April 25, 2019, the Statutes of Trinity College enacted in 1972, and Jillian’s matriculation at Trinity College, hereby extends to Jillian posthumous membership in the body of alumni and scholars that constitute the Trinity College Alumni Association, with all the rights and privileges associated therewith;

3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption; and

4. That a copy of this resolution shall be placed in the books and records of the College.

Proposed and approved by the Alumni Association on May 17, 2022.