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IOWA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT APPOINTMENT

<u>Action Requested</u>: Consider the appointment of University of Northern Iowa President Benjamin Allen as an ex officio member of the Iowa Department of Economic Development Board of Directors.

Executive Summary: Iowa Code Chapter 15.103 creates the Iowa Department of Economic Development (IDED) Board of Directors which includes as an ex officio member one President or the President's designee of one of the three Regents universities. The length of term for ex officio members is not specified in the Code but may rotate among the Regents university Presidents. The Board of Regents is asked to consider the appointment of University of Northern Iowa Benjamin Allen as an ex officio member of the IDED Board of Directors.