

SPECIAL COUNTY BOARD ADDENDUM

County of Champaign, Urbana, Illinois Wednesday, January 31, 2024 – 6:00 p.m.

Shields-Carter Meeting Room Brookens Administrative Services 1776 East Washington Street, Urbana, Illinois

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VII. New Business

C. Adoption of Resolution No. 2024-12 Approving Financial Contribution to the iFAB Tech Hub

*Roll call

Except as otherwise stated, approval requires the vote of a majority of those County Board members present.

^{**}Roll call and 15 votes

^{***}Roll call and 17 votes

^{****}Roll call and 12 votes

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-12

RESOLUTION APPROVING A FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION TO THE IFAB TECH HUB

WHEREAS, The Champaign County Board recognizes that the University of Illinois is an invaluable resource for development, research, and growth for Champaign County; and

WHEREAS, President Joe Biden designated Illinois Fermentation and Agricultural Biomanufacturing Tech Hub (iFAB Tech Hub) among 31 designated Regional Innovation and Technology Hubs by the U.S. Economic Development Administration; and

WHEREAS, iFAB focuses on research and development of precise fermentation in the growing area of biomanufacturing that can turn local feedstocks into a variety of goods, including textiles, biofuels, food ingredients, polymers, pigments, and more; and

WHEREAS, iFAB consortium includes dozens of partner organizations representing academic, industry, government, and nonprofit committed to catalyzing industry growth in Champaign, Piatt, and Macon counties; and

WHEREAS, The Champaign County Board supports iFAB's efforts to gain additional federally funding by developing a match fund;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Board of Champaign County that a financial contribution to the iFAB Tech Hub is approved and the County Executive is authorized to commit \$25,000 for the iFAB match fund.

PRESENTED, ADOPTED, APPROVED, by the County Board this 31st day of January, A.D. 2024.

	Kyle Patterson, Chair Champaign County Board
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& Attest:	Approved:
Aaron Ammons, County Clerk	Steve Summers, County Executive
and ex-officio Clerk of the	Date:
Champaign County Board	
Date	