President's Award for Distinguished Alumni

ROBERT HERMAN, M.D.

Purchase College

State University of New York

Whereas, you have an illustrious career dedicated to the holistic wellbeing of individuals, epitomizing service, compassion, and intellectual rigor; and

Whereas, you arrived at Purchase College with a desire to help people as your professional calling, and spent four years connecting with faculty and staff who aided in refining your academic and professional direction; and

Whereas, you attended SUNY University at Buffalo School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences and earned a Doctor of Medicine degree in 1983, then completed a psychiatric residency at New York University/Bellevue Hospital in 1987 and psychoanalytical training at Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons in 1992; and

Whereas, you have contributed to the development of future mental health professionals by serving as a faculty member at New York University, Columbia University, Mount Sinai Hospital, and the University of Maryland; and

Whereas, your commitment to helping others has extended to your work with college students at the Columbia University Health Sciences Campus and the University of Maryland Health Center; and

Whereas, you have been named a Distinguished Life Fellow of the American Psychiatric Association, an honor awarded to outstanding psychiatrists who have made significant contributions to the psychiatric profession; and

Whereas, you are engaged in work to improve the mental health field for both patients and providers, serving as a member of the Legislative Committee of the Maryland Psychiatric Society and Chair of the Maryland Psychiatric Political Action Committee, while also testifying and lobbying before elected officials for laws affecting the profession; and

Whereas, you amassed these considerable achievements while maintaining a successful and supportive psychiatric practice and continuing to learn new and innovative treatments and techniques to provide care and support to patients; and

Whereas, you have performed as the bass section leader for the Baltimore Bach Choir since 2008, forever influenced by the artistic roots established and nurtured at Purchase.

Now, therefore do I, Milagros Peña, President, on behalf of the alumni, faculty, staff and students of Purchase College, State University of New York proudly recognize,

Robert Herman, M.D.

Recipient of the **Purchase College President's Award for Distinguished Alumni**Presented on this the 17th day of May 2024

Milagros Peña, President

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