Dr. Steven Leath Introductory Statement

It is my pleasure to introduce Auburn University’s 19th president, Dr. Steven Leath. Since arriving at Auburn in June 2017, Dr. Leath has championed a number of bold initiatives that will strengthen Auburn’s reputation as a trusted partner for groundbreaking research and expand its capacity for developing innovative, real-world solutions. Supporting Auburn’s vision to inspire, innovate, and transform, Dr. Leath is focused on strengthening the institution’s reputation for being a go-to partnership university and empowering students, faculty, and entrepreneurs to develop transformative ideas and inventions that improve lives. As leader of a university renowned for its exceptional student experience, Dr. Leath advocates programs that position Auburn students to become leaders in their professions and engage in their communities. A trained plant scientist, Dr. Leath has served at three universities prior to Auburn, playing a key role in advancing teaching, research, and economic development at each, most recently as president of Iowa State University.

Please join me in welcoming President Steven Leath.