

Auburn University

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Auburn University hires new president

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NARRATOR: AFTER A SIX-MONTH SEARCH, AUBURN UNIVERSITY'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES VOTED IOWA STATE UNIVERISTY PRESIDENT STEVEN LEATH AS THEIR 19TH PRESIDENT ON MONDAY MAR. 20, 2017. IN SEPTEMBER, CURRENT AUBURN UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT JAY GOGUE ANNOUNCED HIS RETIREMENT. THE PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH COMMITTEE WAS CHAIRED BY TRUSTEE RAYMOND HARBERT.

RAYMOND HARBERT: "This is an exciting day for Auburn University. Dr. Leath will work with the students and alumni to help Auburn keep achieving its goals and excelling. Leath started working for Iowa State in 2012 and has since led the university to being amongst the nation's top research institutions. "

NARRATOR: DR. GOGUE HAS BEEN AUBURN'S PRESIDENT SINCE JULY 2007. THE CONTRIBUTIONS HE HAS MADE TO THIS UNIVERSITY ARE IMMEASURABLE. DR. GOGUE DISCUSSES HIS PLANS FOR AFTER STEPING DOWN.

AUBURN UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT DR. GOGUE: "I'm excited to remain in Auburn after I step down. I love the atmosphere in this town. I look forward to teaching a higher education administration course and conducting special projects on campus."

NARRATOR: LEATH WILL TAKE OVER THE RESPONSIBILITES OF UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT STARTING JULY 15.

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