

February 28, 2024

TO: Members of the Board of Trustees

FROM: Dr. Radenka Maric 

RE: Naming Recommendation for RTX Technology Research Center

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Trustees name the Level G cleanroom located in the Science 1 building on the Storrs campus as the “RTX Technology Research Center.”

BACKGROUND:

Science 1 is one of UConn’s largest and most technologically advanced research buildings on the Storrs Campus. Dedicated to the interdisciplinary fields of materials science and engineering, the signature building is the centerpiece of the University’s new Northwest Science Quad “Science District.” The existing cleanroom is located on the Ground floor (Level G) of the Science 1 building.

RTX Corporation and its business units are strategic corporate partners of the University. With a focus on diversity, equity and inclusion, they have provided scholarship support to underserved students within the College of Engineering. In October 2023, UConn held its first ever RTX-UConn Research Day with the aim of building a stronger, longer-term, and broader research strategic partnership.

RTX, an American aerospace and defense conglomerate, formed by the merger of United Technology Corporation and Raytheon that includes three subsidiaries: Collins Aerospace, Pratt and Whitney, and Raytheon. RTX serves customers in commercial aerospace and defense industries.

This gift is consistent with the University’s *Named Gift Guidelines*.

The Institutional Advancement Committee approved this recommendation on February 6, 2024.