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CUTLINE: Pictured, left to right, Annie Rankin, Professor and Faculty Senate President, Dr. Nicole Roades, President, Kyle Rudduck, Board of Trustees Chair and Dr. Erika Goodwin, Vice President of Academic Affairs.

Investiture Ceremony held for SSCC President

The investiture for Dr. Nicole Roades, the President of Southern State Community College was held Monday, August 15 in the Edward K. Daniels Memorial Auditorium on the Central Campus in Hillsboro.

Dr. Nicole Roades assumed the presidency on July 1, 2022 following Dr. Ingrid In Boys who held the position for 12 years.

Speaking from a perspective of gratitude, Dr. Roades began her remarks honoring those who made Southern State possible. She remarked, "As I reflect on the thoughts and ideas that may have been going through Dr. Miller's mind and those of others who were part of Southern State's inception, all I can think of is thank you." Thank you for recognizing that while the material benefits resulting from higher education are important, it's often those other benefits, the intangible outcomes such as problem solving and dealing with adversity which equip us to defy the odds, that add the greatest value."

Looking forward, Dr. Roades added, "In a few short years, we will celebrate our 50 anniversary. Undoubtedly, our journey toward this milestone will be peppered with challenges... Considering all of these challenges, I suggest that enhancing our relevancy through evidence

supported, value-added outcomes is our best path to a 50th anniversary and beyond. We must make it obvious that our region is better because ~~we~~ ~~it~~.