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Resolution in Support of Preserving Tuition-Setting Authorities of the UNC Board of Governors

WHEREAS, the general statutes of North Carolina charge the Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina with responsibility for the general determination, control, supervision, management, and governance of all affairs of the sixteen constituent institutions; and

WHEREAS, this system of university governance has been recognized across the United States as highly effective, has served as a model for other state university systems, and has, among other things, been responsible for establishing the University of North Carolina as one of the leading university systems in the country; and

WHEREAS, decisions related to tuition rates at each of the sixteen campuses are important policy determinations that fundamentally impact the access of North Carolina citizens to the University and affect the system as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a special provision recently passed by the Senate would allow the boards of trustees of North Carolina State University and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill to set tuition rates for those campuses independent of the Board of Governors, thereby impeding the Board of Governors' ability to effectively manage and govern the University in the public interest;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Governors affirms its strong conviction that it is in the entire University's best interests for it to retain responsibility for establishing tuition rates for all sixteen constituent institutions of the University of North Carolina, consistent with current statutes and policies.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Governors directs the President of the University to transmit this resolution to such state lawmakers, policymakers, and others as appropriate.

This the 13th day of May, 2005.

J. Bradley Wilson, Chairman

Patsy B. Perry, Secretary