## APPENDIX O

## Proposed Revision of the ECSU Mission Statement

Elizabeth City State University, is a public university a constituent institution of the University of North Carolina, offerings baccalaureate degree programs in the arts and sciences, selected professional and pre-professional areas, as well as and the Mmaster's Ddegrees in Elementary Education selected disciplines. Through its Graduate Center, the university provides educational access to students who week advanced professional study and master's degree programs offered by other constituent institutions.

Originally an institution for African American <u>students</u>, <u>Elizabeth City State's the university's rich</u> heritage provides a <u>rich strong</u> background for <u>serving</u> its increasingly multi-cultural student body. <u>The university offers By providing</u> a challenging, <u>and supportive</u> student-centered learning environment, <u>that</u> the university prepares its students for <u>knowledgeable</u>, responsible participation and leadership in an everchanging world <u>technologically advanced global society</u>.

Elizabeth City State University promotes excellence in teaching as its primary responsibility to meet the needs of the students and citizens of the state. Through its teaching, research, and community outreach, the university seeks to identify and is a valuable resource for developing the intellectual capital of the state and nation and for addressing the needs of northeastern North Carolina with particular attention to supporting its environmentally sensitive economic needs of northeastern North Carolina development.

## **New ECSU Mission Statement**

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Through teaching, research, and community outreach, the university is a valuable resource for developing the intellectual capital of the state and nation and for addressing the environmentally sensitive economic needs of northeastern North Carolina.

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