

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the people of North Carolina have been linked to higher education since North Carolina's first Constitution, adopted on December 18, 1776, which provided for one or more universities;

WHEREAS, on December 11, 1789, the North Carolina General Assembly ratified the Charter giving birth to the University of North Carolina, our nation's oldest state university;

WHEREAS, the University of North Carolina has a rich history in higher education and plays a vital role in the life of North Carolina and its citizens by providing educational opportunities, promoting an educated citizenry and conducting research that positively affects the lives of North Carolinians;

WHEREAS, the General Assembly of North Carolina has been a partner of the University and has historically provided funds that have helped the University maintain its premier role in higher education;

AND WHEREAS, the continued support of the people of North Carolina and the General Assembly of North Carolina is vital in order for the University to maintain its ability to meet the educational needs of the people of this State:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina:

- We express our appreciation to the North Carolina General Assembly and the people of North Carolina for their traditional financial support of the University;
- 2. We understand the current difficult economic environment and the challenges it places on the General Assembly and the people of North Carolina;

- 3. We recognize the principle of shared sacrifice necessary at this time and pledge to continue to promote fiscal responsibility and the efficient operation of the University;
- 4. We express our appreciation and support for the North Carolina Senate's 2010-2011 budgetary allocation for the University within the Senate's budget proposal; and
- 5. We are hopeful that the final budget passed by the General Assembly will provide the funding necessary to protect the role of the University and enable the University to continue its mission of providing affordable and quality educational opportunities to the citizens of North Carolina.

This the 11th day of June, 2010.

Hannah D. Gage, Chairmah

Estelle Sanders, Secretary

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