

Senate Resolution 00-07

Whereas the Governor and legislature of Louisiana have provided improved financial support for higher education in the regular 1999 session; and

Whereas the legislature is tentatively scheduled to meet in the special session in January and February 2000, to propose additional support for education; and

Whereas the Board of Supervisors Faculty Advisory Council, consisting of representatives of each of the campuses of the LUS system, has proposed a means of expressing appreciation to the Governor and the legislature for their continued work in improving education for the people of Louisiana;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Faculty Senate of Louisiana State University and A&M College go on record as a signatory to the proposed statement of support (attached).

A Resolution by the Faculty and University Senates of the Public Colleges and Universities Of the State of Louisiana

By the resolution, we state publicly our gratitude to Governor Foster and the members of the legislature of the State of Louisiana for the increases in funding for higher education in the 1999-2000 budget. This increase in a year of limited new resources, has demonstrated a commitment to giving the colleges and universities of the state the necessary resources to provide a quality education for Louisiana residents and to become more actively involved in community outreach as envisioned in the Vision 2020 initiative.

In the anticipation of a special session which will further address adequate funding for higher education, we urge that the total needs of higher education be addressed by means of the Southern Region full-funding levels.