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A RESOLUTION

TO ACKNOWLEDGE AND THANK GOV. BOBBY JINDAL, HIS ADMINISTRATION AND PRIVATE DONORS FOR FUNDING AND SUPPORTING THE $100 MILLION PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP TO RENOVATE AND EXPAND PATRICK F. TAYLOR HALL AT LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY AND A&M COLLEGE.

PARAGRAPH 1: Whereas, the Louisiana State University (LSU) College of Engineering graduates about 560 bachelors per year, ranking it the top 10 percent nationally for graduates; and

PARAGRAPH 2: Whereas, the total number of engineering students enrolled has increased by nearly 700 students since 2009 with consistent growth each year; and

PARAGRAPH 3: Whereas, the Louisiana Workforce Commission and the Louisiana Board of Regents suggests that Louisiana needs to increase the number of engineering and construction management graduates by 30 percent per year to meet the current demand; and

PARAGRAPH 4: Whereas, Taylor Hall was completed over thirty-five years ago, is the largest freestanding building on the LSU campus, and is need of significant repair; and

PARAGRAPH 5: Whereas, the academic space for the College of Engineering will increase from 300,000 square feet to more than 380,000 square feet; and

PARAGRAPH 6: Whereas, the renovated building will include laboratory space for teaching and research, space for student services, updated graduate student space, an academic support center, capstone project space and multi-disciplinary space for student projects; and

PARAGRAPH 7: Whereas, according to Gov. Jindal, “Louisiana’s economy has outperformed the national and southern economies” and we need to “make sure Louisiana remains competitive and attractive to companies to looking to invest and create jobs. That means having a workforce with world-class skills…That means making LSU a magnet to attract the best and brightest students, teachers, and researchers from all over the world”; and

PARAGRAPH 8: Whereas, the Jindal administration has invested more than $150 million at LSU and the Baton Rouge research community; and
PARAGRAPH 9: Whereas, Numerous alumni and friends of LSU have donated funds, time, and other resources to the expansion and renovation of Taylor Hall;

PARAGRAPH 10: Therefore, be it resolved by the student government of Louisiana State University Agricultural and Mechanical College acknowledges and thanks Gov. Bobby Jindal, his administration;

Patrick F. Taylor Hall and Chemical Engineering Capital Campaign Leadership Committee:
Harry Longwell, Co-Chair;
Phyllis Taylor, Co-Chair;
Dan Borne, Louisiana Chemical Association;
Ron Cambre, Newmount Mining Corporation;
Art Favre, Performance Contractors;
Lane Grigsby, Cajun Contractors;
Roy Martin, Roy O. Martin Lumber Company;
Supriya Jindal, First Lady, State of Louisiana;
Dave Mongrue, Dow Chemical;
Gary Wooley, Wooley and Associates;

Ex Officio Members:
William Jenkins, Louisiana State University, President;
Stuart Bell, Louisiana State University, Provost;
Lee Griffin, LSU Foundation Board of Directors;

and all of the alumni, friends and corporations for their contributions, guidance and leadership to the LSU College of Engineering; and

PARAGRAPH 11: Be it further resolved that a suitable copy of this resolution be forwarded to Gov. Bobby Jindal, Harry Longwell, Phyllis Taylor, Dan Borne, Ron Cambre, Art Favre, Lane Grigsby, Roy Martin, Supriya Jindal, Dave Mongrue, Gary Wooley, William Jenkins, Stuart Bell, Lee Griffin, Rick Koudek, Heather Herman; and

PARAGRAPH 12: This resolution shall take effect upon passage by a simple majority (1/2) vote of the LSU Student Senate and signature by the President, upon lapse of time for presidential action, or if vetoed by the President and subsequently approved by the Senate, on the date of such approval.
APPROVED:

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MEREDITH WESTBROOK

R. TAYLOR COX

SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT

DATE:_____________________

DATE:_____________________

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M. R. TAYLOR COX