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**A RESOLUTION**

TO PETITION WILLIAM JENKINS, CHANCELLOR OF LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY AND AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE (HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS "LSU"), THE BOARD OF REGENTS, THE LSU BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AND THE STATE GOVERNMENT OF LOUISIANA TO ENACT A FULL TUITION WAIVER AND AN INCREASE IN PAY FOR GRADUATE ASSISTANTS EMPLOYED BY LSU.

**PARAGRAPH 1:** WHEREAS, LSU TAKES PRIDE IN ITS STATUS AS A MAJOR RESEARCH UNIVERSITY AND AS THE FLAGSHIP UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA, AND

**PARAGRAPH 2:** WHEREAS, THE FACULTY OF LSU HAVE TIME TO DO THIS RESEARCH BECAUSE OF THE EFFORTS OF THE GRADUATE ASSISTANTS WHO PERFORM THE BASIC AND TIME-CONSUMING TASKS OF TEACHING AND GRADING INTRODUCTORY COURSES, AND

**PARAGRAPH 3:** WHEREAS, MANY UNIVERSITIES OFFER A FULL TUITION WAIVER AS A PORTION OF GRADUATE ASSISTANT COMPENSATION, AND

**PARAGRAPH 4:** WHEREAS, GRADUATE ASSISTANTS AT LSU MUST, AS A CONDITION OF EMPLOYMENT, BE ENROLLED AT LSU AND MUST THEMSELVES PAY ALL TUITION AND FEES, AND

**PARAGRAPH 5:** WHEREAS, TUITION AND FEE RATES HAVE RISEN ASTRONOMICALLY IN RECENT YEARS WITH NO CORRESPONDING INCREASE IN PAY TO GRADUATE ASSISTANTS .

**PARAGRAPH 6:** THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE LSU A&M STUDENT SENATE PETITIONS CHANCELLOR JENKINS, THE BOARD OF REGENTS, THE LSU BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AND THE STATE GOVERNMENT OF LOUISIANA TO ENACT A FULL TUITION WAIVER AND AN INCREASE IN PAY FOR GRADUATE ASSISTANTS EMPLOYED BY LSU.