



RESOLUTION OF THE FACULTY SENATE
February 19, 1986

WHEREAS, the education of students is the highest priority of a university; and

WHEREAS, the termination of tenured and untenured faculty for financial reasons is likely to have a long-term negative impact on the future growth and development of academic quality; and

WHEREAS, severe cuts in academic programs may result in the loss of high quality faculty to other academic institutions;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that any and all other alternatives be explored before the termination of faculty and/or academic programs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in accordance with UHUP guidelines, that faculty consultation must be fully pursued before any final decisions regarding termination of faculty and/or academic programs are made.

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WHEREAS, Specific State offices including state universities were given an Executive Order by the Governor to cut spending of State funds at a level of 13% for the biennium;

WHEREAS, Such budget cuts should be undertaken by exhausting all possible avenues for reducing spending before invoking cuts that will significantly and directly affect the academic programs of the University of Houston and, specifically, the University Park Campus; and

WHEREAS, Postponement of the construction of the Information, Office, and Computing Complex could represent a significant fraction of the reduction in spending ordered by the Governor, as well as give a strong indication that the University of Houston regards funding its academic programs in a time of budget crisis more important than funding new administrative facilities; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Faculty Senate of the University Park Campus strongly urges the Board of Regents and the President of the University of Houston to postpone the construction of the new Information, Office, and Computing Complex