



RESOLUTION OF THE FACULTY SENATE

NOVEMBER 19, 1986

WHEREAS, The report dated November 10, 1986 issued by Mr. Larry Temple to the Select Committee on Higher Education was totally inadequate in addressing the present and future higher education academic and research needs of the Greater Houston Metropolitan area as well as those needs for all of Urban Texas; and

WHEREAS, The report limited and restricted major university driven research and development growth in the State by limiting comprehensive graduate and research institution status to only two state institutions (UT-Austin and A&M); and

WHEREAS, The University of Houston-University Park has begun to fulfill the higher education needs of the Houston Metropolitan area as a rapidly emerging comprehensive graduate research university - this statement being supported by recent major increases in entering student SAT scores, in drastic increases in the numbers of national merit scholars in residence (putting UH in the top 50 universities nation-wide), in significant national and international recognition for academic research programs (a number of top 10 to top 20 nationally rated programs and recent winning of prestigious major federal research awards), and unsurpassed growth in research funding in the State (an over 60% increase in the past year alone); therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Faculty Senate of the University of Houston-University Park strongly urges the Select Committee on Higher Education to realistically respond to the graduate research needs of the State by identifying a group of universities as comprehensive graduate research universities (top Tier) with the University of Houston-University Park being in that group.