University of Houston Staff Council
Resolution in Support of the UH Child Care Center

WHEREAS, the UH Child Care Center has been serving families of the University of Houston (the children of UH students, faculty and staff) for twenty-eight years and is a contributing member to the quality of life for current and future Cougars; and

WHEREAS, the University of Houston has three schools on-campus for children (Child Care Center, Human Development Lab and the Charter School); and

WHEREAS, the Child Care Center is the only one of these three that restrict access to the children of UH students, faculty, and staff; and

WHEREAS, the Child Care Center is the only one of the three which accepts Infant children (ages three-eighteen months); and

WHEREAS, the Child Care Center’s ability to provide costly Infant care is in serious jeopardy, and

WHEREAS, the Child Care Center receives no financial support from the University of Houston (with the exception of funds which come directly from the Student Fees Advisory Committee); and

WHEREAS, the Child Care Center is billed for administrative and utility charges from the University of Houston (and the Charter School and Human Development Lab are exempt from these charges); and

WHEREAS, six auxiliary-based Child Care Centers at Urban 13 institutions (Georgia State University, University of Illinois – Chicago, Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis, University of Missouri at St. Louis, University of Pittsburgh and the University of Toledo) are not required to cover these charges; and

WHEREAS, the Child Care Center(s) at the University of Texas (they have two) and Texas A&M University-College Station are classified as auxiliary operations and are exempt from administrative and utility charges.

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that the University of Houston Staff Council urges Dr. Jay Gogue, Chancellor of the UH System and President of the University of Houston to waive the administrative and utility charges for the Child Care Center for FY 04, and on a continual basis.

LET IT FURTHER BE RESOLVED that we urge Dr. Gogue to identify the necessary funds to cover the costs of these charges for the Child Care Center if a waiver cannot be granted.

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Status: To be presented to the University of Houston University Center and Associated Facilities and copied to the University Administration

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