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April 30, 1995



The Honorable Newt Gingrich Speaker of the United States House of Representatives 2428 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, D. C. 20515-1006

Dear Mr. Gingrich:

Like the vast majority of faculty in higher education, the faculty of the University of Houston are extremely concerned about the cut backs in the federal aid to college students. Such cut backs hurt the poorest sector of our society and, in effect, deny many future financial opportunities. This nation's business sector increasingly needs a better educated work force, which is not only able to adapt to rapidly changing technology, but able to create it. Educating as many of our young people as possible can only serve to stabilize our economy and make it grow.

The University of Houston Faculty Senate passed the attached resolution (FSR95/S-6) at its April 19, 1995, meeting by unanimous vote. The Senate was not just "looking out for its own future," but for the nation's future as well. We ask that you consider this

request and become our champion for the future of America.

Sincerely,

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President

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University of Houston Faculty Senate Resolution on Student Aid

Whereas the funding of higher education for individual students is an investment in the country's future because people with college and university degrees earn more and pay higher taxes, and whereas student aid makes higher education available for a greater diversity of citizens, be it resolved that the University of Houston Faculty Senate urges the House of Representatives of the United States not to decrease the amount of federal financial aid available to college students.

FSR95: \$-6

Introduced by: Legislative & Community Relations Committee

Committee Date: April 10, 1995 Outcome: Passed by majority vote Senate Date: April 19, 1995

Outcome: Approved by unanimous vote

Status: Sent to President James H. Pickering, Provost Henry T. Trueba and the Speaker of

the House Newt Gingrich

Jerry Paskusz

President

University of Houston Faculty Senate

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