RESOLUTION ON GRADUATE STUDENT TUITION

Whereas, Vision 2020 emphasized that graduate student education is of paramount importance to both the missions of Texas A&M University and the continued supply of highly educated teachers and scientists for Texas;

Whereas, the cost of education continues to escalate;

Whereas, state law in Texas requires tuition to be paid for every student;

Whereas, previous requests by both the Faculty Senate and the Council of Principal Investigators have resulted in statements directing the use of departmental operating budgets to reduce the impact of graduate student tuition;

Whereas, it is becoming increasingly difficult for graduate programs at Texas A&M University to compete for the most highly qualified students with our peer institutions that waive graduate student tuition; therefore be it resolved

That, the Faculty Senate calls upon the Provost and President to create endowments in the current Capital Campaign dedicated to graduate student fellowships that provide tuition relief and stipend increase.

Approved by the Executive Committee 09/25/01
As amended and approved by the Faculty Senate 10/08/01