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Expression of Support for 2006 H-7092.

University of Rhode Island Faculty Senate

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TO: President Robert Carothers
FROM: Michael A. Rice, Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

1. The attached RESOLUTION ‘Expression of Support for 2006 H-7092’ is forwarded for your consideration.

2. This RESOLUTION was adopted by vote of the Faculty Senate on May 11, 2006.

3. Please indicate whether or not you support this resolution by completing the response below, provide an explanation for your position if applicable, and return the original copy.

   Michael A. Rice
   Chairperson of the Faculty Senate
   May 11, 2006

TO: Chairperson of the Faculty Senate

FROM: President of the University

Support __X__

Do Not Support _____

Explanation attached _____

Robert Carothers
Signature of the President
May 19, 2006 (date)
On May 11, 2006 the Senate adopted the following resolution in support of 2006 H7092.

Whereas, the University of Rhode Island is the State’s public research university, and

Whereas, vibrant public research universities throughout the United States are demonstrably major economic engines within their states, and

Whereas, the University of Rhode Island is committed to enriching the lives of Rhode Islanders through its Land, Sea, and Urban Grant traditions of research and outreach to the public, and

Whereas, the University of Rhode Island has a long and distinguished history of research accomplishments in such fields as potato disease control, poultry disease control, turf grass breeding, aeronautical engineering, industrial engineering, underwater acoustics, fisheries science, textiles science, electronic engineering, pharmaceutical science and environmental science that have catalyzed economic growth in Rhode Island, the nation and the world, and

Whereas, the University of Rhode Island has a long and distinguished history of cooperative extension or outreach programs such as farm demonstrations, environmental protection, transportation and community planning, industrial pilot projects, teacher education, social science outreach, community health programs and artistic programs that have enriched the lives of all Rhode Islanders, and

Whereas, the University of Rhode Island is well positioned to continue boosting Rhode Island’s economy in the areas of marine science and engineering, biotechnology, pharmaceutical sciences, forensic sciences, transportation systems and information sciences, and

Whereas, the 2003 Partnership for Prosperity Report commissioned by the University of Rhode Island Research Office concluded that the University of Rhode Island generates nearly five dollars in economic activity in the State for every dollar of State support, and

Whereas, the professors and professional researchers at the University of Rhode Island are extremely successful in the pursuit of federal funding for research, outreach and training projects that carries a requirement of non-federal matching funds,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate of the University of Rhode Island pledges its full support of An Act by The Rhode Island House of Representatives 2006 H-7092 by Representatives Naughton, Shanley, and Crowley that authorizes the appropriation of state funds as cash matching funds for federal research, extension and training grants, and

FURTHERMORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate of the University of Rhode Island respectfully requests the support of President, and the Board of Governors for Higher Education for 2006 H-7092 and respectfully urges passage by the Rhode Island House of Representatives, and the Rhode Island Senate and signing into law by Governor Donald L. Carcieri.