

RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING  
**A CENTURY OF LEADERSHIP, ACHIEVEMENT AND  
SERVICE BY THE SMU FACULTY**

WHEREAS, SMU is commemorating the centennials of its founding in 1911 and its opening in 1915, through The Second Century Celebration; and

WHEREAS, SMU's first president, Robert S. Hyer, initiated the formation of the University's faculty in 1914 in preparation for SMU's opening the subsequent year; and

WHEREAS, SMU's first faculty of 25 professors set the standard of excellence for their successors, now totaling more than 725 full-time scholar-teachers in the College and Schools of the University; and

WHEREAS, for the past century the SMU faculty has taught, mentored and inspired generations of students who, as alumni, have applied this knowledge to lead their professions and communities throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, the SMU faculty has contributed substantially to the development of new knowledge and perspectives through research and creative achievement; and

WHEREAS, the SMU faculty has participated meaningfully in public discourse at local, national and international levels, providing expertise and insights on important issues; and

WHEREAS, members of the SMU faculty have achieved distinction in their disciplines and have been recognized with appointments to prestigious national academies; and

WHEREAS, members of the SMU faculty have served as leaders and members on University committees and commissions that address important academic, administrative and campus life issues; and

WHEREAS, through these efforts, the University has been shaped by the faculty over the past century into an institution of growing distinction and impact; and

WHEREAS, the University's second century of achievement will be defined through the active participation and guidance of the faculty.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Southern Methodist University hereby expresses its gratitude for the contributions of the SMU faculty to the progress of the University, through 100 years of leadership, achievement and service, and for the role it will play in advancing SMU in its second century. The Board further recommitments the University to the continued support of the faculty's individual and collective efforts, which advance the core mission of the University.

PRESENTED ON THIS ELEVENTH DAY OF APRIL, TWO THOUSAND AND FOURTEEN

