## RESOLUTION COMMENDING PRESIDENT ANDREW A. SORENSEN, PROVOST NANCY S. BARRETT, AND THEIR EXECUTIVE TEAMS

Whereas U.S. News and World report recently recognized The University of Alabama as being one of the top 50 universities in the United States, and

**Whereas** the funded research at The University of Alabama has climbed to over \$71.5 million and more than doubled over a three-year period, and

Whereas the number of per-faculty scholarly publications from 1995 to 2000 has almost tripled the number of per-faculty publications from 1988 to 1992, and

Whereas the citations of faculty publications have increased from 7.9 per faculty member from 1988 to 1992 to 32.5 per faculty member from 1995 to 2000, and

Whereas The University of Alabama has been able to attract over 300 National Merit, Achievement, and Hispanic Scholars, and

**Whereas** The University of Alabama is enrolling record numbers of African-Americans, leads the nation in SREB Minority Doctoral Fellows, and ranks 32<sup>nd</sup> in the nation in total number of doctoral degrees awarded to African-Americans, and

Whereas The University of Alabama has been repeatedly recognized by numerous publications as being one of the best buys and values in higher education, and

Whereas numerous programs, schools, and departments at the University of Alabama have elevated themselves to national prominence in recent years.

Therefore be it resolved that the Faculty Senate commends President Andrew A. Sorensen, Provost Nancy L. Barrett, and their executive teams for their leadership, stewardship, hard work, facilitation, persistence, vision, and inspiration that has been so critical to the unprecedented achievements of The University of Alabama during their tenures in office.

**Be it further resolved** that the Faculty Senate expresses its sincere appreciation to President Sorensen and Provost Barrett for their accessibility, receptivity, and sensitivity to the Faculty Senate. The Faculty Senate also expresses its sincere appreciation for President Sorensen making faculty salaries his number one priority throughout his tenure as University President.

Adopted by the Senate October 16 2001