IN THE STUDENT CONGRESS
OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHAPEL HILL

SCR-94-056

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS THE STUDENT CONGRESS’ SUPPORT FOR ROBUST
FINANCIAL AID WITHIN THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA SYSTEM

03 September 2012    INTRODUCED BY CHAIR BURNEY
COSPONSORED BY SPEAKER PRO-TEMPORE BRADY, CHAIR CRAYTON, AND
REPRESENTATIVE McCLELLAND
03 September 2012    REFERRED TO FULL CONGRESS
04 September 2012    PASSED BY FULL CONGRESS

WHEREAS, on Friday, August 31, 2012, UNC System President Tom Ross released a proposal changing
the financial aid system for the University of North Carolina system, to be considered by the UNC
Board of Governors at its September 14, 2012, meeting;

WHEREAS, the proposal, if enacted, removes the minimum percentage of tuition revenue set aside for
financial aid by all institutions in the UNC system, which is currently set at 25 percent;

WHEREAS, Article IX, §9 of the Constitution of the State of North Carolina protects quality higher
education for people of all income levels by assuring that “the benefits of The University of North
Carolina and other institutions of higher education, as far as practicable, be extended to the people
of the State free of expense”;

WHEREAS, UNC-Chapel Hill is one of only two public universities that meets 100 percent of
demonstrated financial need;

WHEREAS, in 2011, over 60 percent of the UNC-Chapel Hill student body received some form of financial
aid;

WHEREAS, a strong financial aid program allows UNC-Chapel Hill and its fellow institutions in the UNC
system to recruit the most qualified student body possible;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH
CAROLINA AT CHAPEL HILL THAT:

Section 1. The 94th Student Congress of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, as the elected
legislative authority of the Student Government of the University, representing all of the nearly 30,000
students of the student body:

1) Affirms its belief that a robust financial aid system is essential to maintaining a high quality
student body and high standard of academic achievement;

2) Urges the Board of Governors to respect the autonomy of UNC-system institutions, allowing each
to make decisions regarding financial aid which serve its student body;

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Speaker
3) Requests that the Board of Governors engage students and their families in its discussion on financial aid to better understand the diverse needs of the 220,000 students in the UNC system. Section 2. A digital copy of this resolution shall be emailed to the following individuals, and physical copies for the members of the Board of Governors shall be sent via campus mail to the General Administration offices of the UNC system:

1) Peter D. Hans, Chair, Board of Governors;
2) H. Frank Grainger, Vice Chair, Board of Governors;
3) Ann B. Goodnight, Secretary, Board of Governors;
4) W. Louis Bissette, Jr., Member, Board of Governors;
5) John M. Blackburn, Member, Board of Governors;
6) Peaches Gunter Blank, Member, Board of Governors;
7) Laura W. Buffaloe, Member, Board of Governors;
8) Cameron Carswell, Member, Board of Governors, and President, UNC Association of Student Governments;
9) Bill Daughtridge, Jr., Member, Board of Governors;
10) Walter C. Davenport, Member, Board of Governors;
11) James M. Deal, Jr., Member, Board of Governors;
12) Phillip R. Dixon, Member, Board of Governors;
13) Fred N. Eshelman, Member, Board of Governors;
14) John C. Fennebresque, Member, Board of Governors;
15) Dudley E. Flood, Member, Board of Governors;
16) Paul Fulton, Member, Board of Governors;
17) Hannah D. Gage, Member, Board of Governors;
18) Thomas J. Harrelson, Member, Board of Governors;
19) James E. Holshouser, Jr., Member, Board of Governors;
20) G. Leroy Lail, Member, Board of Governors;
21) Mary Ann Maxwell, Member, Board of Governors;
22) Franklin E. McCain, Member, Board of Governors;
23) W. Edwin McMahran, Member, Board of Governors;
24) Charles H. Mercer, Jr., Member, Board of Governors;
25) Fred G. Mills, Member, Board of Governors;
26) Burley B. Mitchell, Jr., Member, Board of Governors;
27) Hari H. Nath, Member, Board of Governors;
28) David M. Powers, Member, Board of Governors;
29) Irvin A. Roseman, Member, Board of Governors;
30) Richard F. “Dick” Taylor, Member, Board of Governors;
31) Raiford Trask III, Member, Board of Governors;
32) Phillip D. Walker, Member, Board of Governors;
33) J. Bradley Wilson, Member, Board of Governors;
34) Aldona Zofia Wos, Member, Board of Governors;
35) David W. Young, Member, Board of Governors;
36) Tom Ross, President, University of North Carolina;
37) Holden Thorp, Chancellor, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Done by the Student Congress on this 04th day of September 2012.

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[Signature]
Speaker
Paige Comparato, Speaker, 94th Student Congress

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