

## **COLLEGE OF EDUCATION FACULTY SENATE**

### ***Resolution***

Whereas, the College of Education is responsible for preparing teachers, school counselors, and administrators for Hawai'i; provides ongoing professional development for Hawai'i's P-12 educators; conducts research to specifically address Hawai'i education needs; and develops curricula to address the unique needs of Hawai'i's students; and

Whereas, the unique responsibilities of the College of Education directly support the University of Hawai'i Strategic Plan and the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa Strategic Imperatives; and

Whereas, the current facilities of the College of Education have insufficient classroom and office space, and existing classroom and office spaces are dilapidated, rodent and termite infested, particularly UHS 1, UHS 2, UES, and the UA buildings; and

Whereas, these “. . . older wooden buildings built around the time of WWII are deteriorating structurally, and the spaces therein are functionally inadequate and obsolete,. . .constructed according to building codes, which have been superseded, some of these buildings do not meet current standards and pose safety and health hazards” (1994 DAGS Report); and

Whereas, the 1994 Long Range Development Plan for Mānoa includes new buildings, classrooms, and office space for the College of Education; and

Whereas, the College needs state-of-the-art classrooms in which to prepare tomorrow's teachers and educational leaders; and

Whereas, the impression the College of Education makes on its graduates will have a lasting impact on the graduates and the children they serve, it is imperative that facilities of the College enable our faculty to adequately prepare Hawai'i's teachers of the future.

Therefore, the College of Education Faculty Senate fully supports the Dean's proposal for Phase I (raising private funds to renovate and expand UHS3 and the Multipurpose Building creating approximately 20 new classrooms and offices for shared use by the College and the University Laboratory School), Phase II (demolition of UHS1, UHS 2, and UES and replacement with a new College building of approximately 15 classrooms and 50 offices), and Phase III (construction of a parking structure and other buildings for UHM use).

Further, the College of Education Faculty Senate urges the Chancellor to consider moving to a high priority for the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa the request and plans for renovation and new construction for the College of Education.