

## Resolution R2021-003 **Gouaux Hall Replacement Resolution**

WHEREAS: the Vision Statement of Nicholls State University is to be the intellectual, economic, and cultural heart of the Bayou Region; and,

WHEREAS: it is the goal of Nicholls State University to provide students facilities that promote student learning; and,

WHEREAS: it is the intent of the campus Master Plan to provide a roadmap of campus planning that supports a vision of new teaching and learning environments; and,

WHEREAS: Gouaux Hall is a thirty-nine (39) year old building built in 1981, and the Student Government Association has received many student complaints about the aged condition of the building; and.

WHEREAS: due to its age, and heavy use over the many years, the facility is dated and is in need of upgrades to support the technology needs of today's students; and,

WHEREAS: this building was cited in the campus Master Plan (pg. 43) that it is in the best interest of the University to consider a total replacement of the building in its entirety; and,

WHEREAS: this governing body has received complaints of issues related to the structural integrity of the building, the building sinking, balancing the water table underneath the building, doors not locking due to its gradual sinking, as well as exterminator visits to Gouaux Hall; and,

WHEREAS: Gouaux Hall is the property of the State of Louisiana; and,

WHEREAS: the replacement of Gouaux Hall will provide a modern facility to meet the needs of students and faculty, as well as aid in improving student learning, retention rates, and increase graduation rates.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that the Student Government Association of Nicholls State University believing it to be mutually beneficial, strenuously implore that the members of the FP&C Division of Administration, as well as our state representatives, consider and accept this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that this resolution be sent to Dr. Jay Clune, Nicholls State University President; Dr. Velma Westbrook, Nicholls State University Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs; The University of Louisiana System Board of Supervisors; Hon. Bryan Fontenot, Louisiana House Dist. 55; Hon. Michael Fesi, Louisiana Senate Dist. 20; The Louisiana Board of Regents; and John Bel Edwards, Governor of the State of Louisiana.

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