

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA

RESOLUTION OPPOSING HOUSE BILL 27

BY

THE STAFF SENATE

OF THE

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA AT MONROE

WHEREAS, House Bill 27, which would allow licensed, concealed weapons on college campuses, has been filed during the 2009 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature; and

WHEREAS, we, representing the staff of the University of Louisiana Monroe join with the Student Government Association and the Faculty Senate in strongly opposing this legislation;

WHEREAS, the staff of the University of Louisiana Monroe are deeply concerned about the safety and welfare of students, faculty, staff and visitors to our campus; and

WHEREAS, it is acknowledged that the safety of students, faculty and staff is best placed in the hands of trained law enforcement professionals; and

WHEREAS, we, the Staff Senate, are outraged over the violent incidents which have occurred at campuses across the country, most notably at Virginia Tech, Northern Illinois University and the Baton Rouge campus of the Louisiana Technical College; and

WHEREAS, such incidents are extremely rare, given the thousands of post-secondary institutions in the United States and the millions of students, faculty and staff who come to those campuses every day;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Staff Senate requests the Governor of the State of Louisiana and the Legislature of the State of Louisiana to continue to provide adequate resources to protect our students, faculty and staff from harm;

NOW, FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Staff Senate urges and requests legislators to vote against House Bill 27.

Enacted on this 11th day of March, 2009.

Susan Duggins
Chair, Staff Senate