

## **A Resolution Affirming Faculty and Student Participation in the Presidential Search**

Whereas, it is the responsibility of the Board of Trustees to select the President of the University of South Carolina, and

Whereas, choosing a president is a joint effort of the most critical kind in the life of a public university, and

Whereas, the faculty and students of the University, by virtue of their expertise and daily experience, can offer valuable perspectives on the qualities distinguishing great leaders of public universities, and

Whereas, no university president can hope to succeed without the support of the faculty and students, and

Whereas, the Board of Trustees wisely sought to involve faculty and students in vetting finalists for the position of President in April 2019, and

Whereas, contention in important matters is not to be feared, but rather embraced as a pathway to informed decision-making and committed consensus

Therefore be it resolved that the Faculty of the University of South Carolina will continue to advise the Board of Trustees openly and honestly to the best of its ability regarding the presidential search.