WHEREAS, this Board of Trustees is committed to maintaining a robust out-of-state student population; and

WHEREAS, State of Alabama Governor Robert Bentley signed into law House Bill 424 (HB 424) allowing one who, at the time of registration, is a full-time undergraduate student enrolled at an institution whose board of trustees has authorized resident tuition rates to apply to those non-resident students receiving a partial or full scholarship award in recognition of a particular talent or ability, provided such student possessed the talent or ability at the time of initial enrollment and maintains continuous scholarship eligibility at that institution.

WHEREAS, House Bill 424 (HB 424) requires the Board of Trustees of each public institution of higher education in the state to adopt rules and guidelines necessary to implement Section 16-24-2, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended by Act 2013-423, 2013 Regular Session that clarified the requirements for admission and tuition at public institutions of higher education; to require that certain active duty service members and their spouses and dependents and certain veterans be considered resident students.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees authorizes the President to take steps as are necessary to allow, as appropriate, the granting of resident tuition rates to those non-resident, full-time undergraduate students receiving a partial or full scholarship award for a talent or ability possessed by any such student who may apply and qualifies for the same pursuant to provisions of HB 424.

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees authorizes the President to take steps as are necessary to allow, as appropriate, the granting of resident tuition rates to those active duty service members and their spouses and dependents and certain veterans considered resident students.