WHEREAS, Dr. Aubrey K. Lucas became the sixth president of The University of Southern Mississippi in 1975,

WHEREAS, Dr. Aubrey K. Lucas, in 1976, established a 32-member Faculty Council, which was later to become the Faculty Senate of The University of Southern Mississippi,

AND WHEREAS, Dr. Aubrey K. Lucas supported the mission that the Faculty Senate provide “faculty both a forum and a voice and so allow it to assert for the general welfare of the University its distinctive viewpoint and principles. As duly elected representatives of the faculty, the Senate shall act on matters relating to due process, governance, resource, allocation and university planning.”

The Faculty Senate of The University of Southern Mississippi issues a formal resolution in recognition of the influence Dr. Lucas has had on faculty and administrative decision-making for the past 37 years and would like to thank him for his foresight in the establishment of The University of Southern Mississippi Faculty Senate.

PASSED BY THE SOUTHERN MISS FACULTY SENATE ON APRIL 5, 2013