

RESOLUTION NO. 1-08-28-2018

ATHENS STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OUT-OF-STATE TUITION MILITARY DEPENDENTS

WHEREAS, the Alabama G.I. and Dependents' Educational Benefit Act provides that the dependents of certain Alabama disabled veterans will receive free tuition, fees, and books at state institutions of higher learning;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the recent amendment of that Act by Alabama Act No. 2017-349, there are no benefits for the out-of-state dependents of those certain veterans, and they would pay out-of-state tuition rates;

WHEREAS, pursuant to §§ 16-64-1, *et seq.* of the *Code of Alabama*, the Alabama Legislature generally requires Alabama institutions of higher education to charge nonresident students a minimum tuition of two times the resident tuition rate charged by that institution;

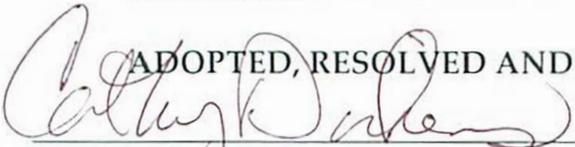
WHEREAS, in an effort to provide some relief and benefits to those out-of-state dependents of those certain Alabama disabled veterans who were affected by the recent Alabama Act No. 2017-349, both houses of the Alabama Legislature adopted a Resolution, which was approved by the Governor, urging state-supported institutions of higher education to waive out-of-state tuition for those dependents of Alabama disabled veterans that were negatively impacted by the amendment; and

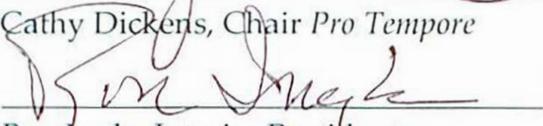
WHEREAS, upon the recommendation of Interim President Ron Ingle, the Executive Committee wishes to honor and adopt the Alabama Legislature's recommendation, providing relief and benefits to those dependents.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Executive Committee of the Athens State University Board of Trustees as follows:

1. Out-of-state tuition shall be waived for those dependents of Alabama disabled veterans who enroll in the University and would have qualified for educational benefits under Chapter 6, Title 31 of the *Code of Alabama*, but for that chapter's requirement of current Alabama residency for those dependents (set forth in §31-6-11(b)(4) of the *Code of Alabama*). For purposes of tuition, those dependents shall instead be treated as resident students.
2. The University shall notify the Chair of the Senate Finance and Taxation Education Committee, the Chair of the House Ways and Means Education Committee, and the Commissioner of the Alabama Department of Veterans Affairs of this Resolution.

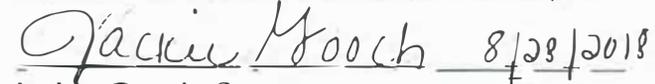
ADOPTED, RESOLVED AND APPROVED, this the 28th day of August, 2018.


Cathy Dickens, Chair Pro Tempore


Ron Ingle, Interim President




Ronnie Chronister, Vice Chair Pro Tempore


Jackie Gooch, Secretary 8/28/2018