

DIXIE STATE COLLEGE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2011 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Stephen H. Urquhart

House Sponsor: Don L. Ipson

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This concurrent resolution of the Legislature and the Governor expresses support for Dixie State College's plan for achieving university status.

Highlighted Provisions:

This resolution:

expresses support for Dixie State College's plan, as presented to the Utah State Board of Regents, for achieving university status.

Special Clauses:

None

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah, the Governor concurring therein:

WHEREAS, Dixie State College, known at the time as St. George Academy, was founded in 1911 by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints;

WHEREAS, the state of Utah retained ownership in 1933 with the understanding that no appropriation would be made that year due to the economic impact of the Great Depression;

WHEREAS, two years later, the first state appropriation was made, and the state has supported the growth and expansion of the college through the subsequent decades;

WHEREAS, in 2000, the Utah Legislature granted Dixie State College a name change and baccalaureate degree status in recognition of its growth;

WHEREAS, during its 100th anniversary, Dixie State College is experiencing ever-growing enrollment and the need to expand its educational offerings to meet the needs of its community;

30 WHEREAS, recognizing the challenges and opportunities presented by this growth,
31 Dixie State College proposed a plan to transition to a university over the next several years;

32 WHEREAS, Dixie State College's plan to achieve university status includes broadening
33 its baccalaureate programs to include physical and social sciences, art, and history; and

34 WHEREAS, on January 21, 2011, Dixie State College's pathway to university status
35 was approved by the Utah State Board of Regents:

36 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah, the
37 Governor concurring therein, express their support for Dixie State College's plan, as presented
38 to the Utah State Board of Regents, for achieving university status.

39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to Dixie State
40 College President Stephen D. Nadauld.