Whereas Hurricane Gustav inflicted extensive damage on both the Louisiana State University campus and the Baton Rouge community;

Whereas the LSU Emergency Operations Center set an example of coordination, compassion, communication, and overall competence that was exemplary for all emergency personnel who aided Baton Rouge during the aftermath of a devastating storm;

Whereas the organization and quality of the LSU response to Hurricane Gustav drew plaudits from students, staff, and faculty members;

Whereas the artful presentation of response efforts through internet pages, telephone systems, and other media relieved stress and suffering not only in the LSU community but throughout the hurricane-afflicted region;

And whereas the actions of the LSU Emergency Operations Center elicited national attention and applause from both professional crisis managers and ordinary citizens;

Therefore be it resolved that the LSU Faculty Senate commends the Emergency Operations Centers for its exceptional work during and after Hurricane Gustav and congratulates all its members on outstanding service to the University and all its members, friends, and supporters;

And therefore be it further resolved that the Faculty Senate will include this commendation in its minutes as a perpetual expression of appreciation for the meritorious and generous actions of the Emergency Operations Center.