LSU Faculty Senate Resolution 09–08

“Recognition of Exceptional Service to the University by Robert V. Nauman”

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Whereas Professor Robert V. Nauman served the University for over 40 years as a Professor of Chemistry, excelling in both teaching and research and

Whereas Professor Nauman in 1964 successfully wrote one of the first Centers of Excellence Grants funded by the National Science Foundation to augment the research budgets for Chemistry, Geology, Mathematics and Physics over a five year period. This grant award catalyzed a paradigm shift that truly began the development of LSU as a nationally recognized research university.

Whereas Professor Nauman was a strong proponent of shared faculty governance and an active participant in governance activities in addition to his teaching and research contributions to the Department of Chemistry and College of Chemistry and Physics throughout his career and

Whereas as Chair of the Faculty Council’s Policy Committee in 1973 he successfully campaigned to create the Faculty Senate (effective in 1974) and was a founding member and

Whereas he wrote the Faculty Senate By-laws for the Senate which assured that the senate provides a forum for faculty members from each college to deliberate issues and through the committees of the Senate promulgate academic standards and oversee curriculum development and

Whereas Professor Nauman served as the president of the transitional Senate and elected second Faculty Senate President in 1975 and continued to serve the body for many years as a Senator.

Therefore be it resolved that the Faculty Senate notes with sadness his death on April 25, 2009 and wishes to extend their condolences, along with their extreme gratitude for his exceptional contributions to faculty governance and research programs at Louisiana State University, to his family.

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