

State of South Carolina )

County of Sumter )

# Resolution

**Whereas,** The Sumter Campus of the University of South Carolina commenced during 1966 in response to the post-secondary educational needs of the citizens and taxpayers in Sumter, Lee, Clarendon, Kershaw, and Williamsburg Counties; and

**Whereas,** The University of South Carolina Sumter has and continues to answer that need through its mission "to provide access and opportunity to individuals who otherwise would not be able to experience a university-level education", and to allow place-bound students to obtain a bachelor's degree; and

**Whereas,** USC Sumter has afforded Sumter County's Economic Development Board the opportunity to capture Fortune-500 businesses, and USC Sumter is one of the vital instruments used in aiding the Base Realignment and Closure Committee to retain Shaw AFB in Sumter County.

**Now Therefore Be It Resolved** that we, the members of Sumter County Council, do hereby express our support of the University of South Carolina at Sumter in becoming a four-year status campus beginning fiscal year 2003-2004.

**It Is Further Resolved,** that Sumter County Council is committed to increase USC-Sumter's funding to a total 2.0 mill if it receives the four-year status so that the University can continue to provide the excellent service and education it has done in the past for Sumter and surrounding counties.

**Done, Ratified, and Given** under the seal of Sumter County during Council's regular meeting held this 10<sup>th</sup> day of June 2003.



SUMTER COUNTY SOUTH CAROLINA

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Its Chairwoman: Naomi D. Sanders

ATTEST

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Its Clerk: Mary W. Blanding