Texas Tech University Faculty Senate

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Equality & Anti-Terrorism Resolution

Senator Reed introduced the following Faculty Senate resolution:

WHEREAS, all members of the Texas Tech Faculty Senate have experienced the suffering and anguish of our country resulting from the recent terrorist attacks in New York City and Washington, D.C.:

WHEREAS, it is important for all faculty, students and staff of Texas Tech University to engage in sober reflection and mutual support as we develop our individual and collective responses to the tragedy:

WHEREAS, all members of the University Community are deserving of respect and consideration regardless of their religion, ethnic background or national origin:

BE IT RESOLVED:

- (1) That all faculty shall ensure the civil rights, liberties, personal safety, and protection of property of all citizens and international guests in this time of crisis;
- (2) That all faculty will assist each other and our students in ensuring that no acts of disrespect or hostility are directed at other faculty, students or staff as we seek understanding and solutions in the weeks and months ahead;
- (3) That as our government seeks to retaliate against the perpetrators of terrorism, all faculty shall be committed to ensuring in our University Community the fundamental values of a free, open and tolerant society governed by law with justice for all people.

President Giaccardo opened the floor for a discussion on the resolution. Senator Lucas made a motion to accept the resolution, Senator Russ seconded the motion and the motion was passed.