RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE TEMPORARY SPRING 2020 ACADEMIC GRADING & ELIGIBLITY POLICIES

WHEREAS the novel coronavirus COVID-19 is a worldwide pandemic that has significantly impacted the instruction and learning associated the Spring 2020 academic term.

WHEREAS the University of Arizona made the decision in mid-March to transition all in-person coursework for Spring 2020 instruction to remote and online modalities.

WHEREAS our AAU peers and other institutions of higher education throughout the country have implemented revised pass/fail grading policies.

WHEREAS the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, in consultation with administrators, faculty, and staff announced emergency Revised Academic Grading and Eligibility Policies for the Spring 2020 term only (please see: <u>LINK</u>).

WHEREAS the stated guiding principal for these revised policies is: "So that students can stay on track towards graduation, we are striving to maximize credits awarded to students during the Spring 2020 term, while at the same time working to ensure the quality of instruction and student learning subject to the constraints imposed by the pandemic."

THEREFORE, the Faculty Senate of The University of Arizona hereby supports the Revised Academic Grading and Eligibility Policies for the Spring 2020 academic term.