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8 **SENATE RESOLUTION**

9 COMMENDING DR. CHARLES D. DUNN FOR HIS
10 CONTRIBUTIONS TO HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE STATE OF
11 ARKANSAS.
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13 **Subtitle**

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19 WHEREAS, Dr. Charles D. Dunn is retiring as President of Henderson
20 State University on June 30, 2008; and
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22 WHEREAS, Dr. Dunn has served twenty-two (22) years as President of
23 Henderson State University and, as the fourteenth president of the
24 university, has served longer than any of his predecessors; and
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26 WHEREAS, Dr. Dunn earned his Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from
27 Southern Arkansas University, his Masters of Arts in Government from the
28 University of North Texas, and his Ph.D. in Political Science from Southern
29 Illinois University in Carbondale; and
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31 WHEREAS, Dr. Dunn served in various roles at the University of Arkansas
32 at Monticello and the University of Central Arkansas before his appointment
33 as President of Henderson State University in 1986; and
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35 WHEREAS, when he retires on June 30, 2008, Dr. Dunn will have granted
36 seventy-six (76) associate degrees, nine thousand five hundred forty-three



1 (9,543) bachelor's degrees, two thousand one hundred seventy-three (2,173)
2 master's degrees, and thirteen (13) specialist degrees; and
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4 WHEREAS, Dr. Dunn has steered Henderson State University through many
5 dramatic changes since 1986, including numerous building and renovation
6 projects that have changed the face of the campus and a stronger academic
7 focus that led to the success of an Honors College, membership in the
8 prestigious Council of Public Liberal Arts Colleges, and accreditation by the
9 American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business; and
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11 WHEREAS, Dr. Dunn has assumed numerous leadership roles focused on
12 advancing higher education in the State of Arkansas and the United States,
13 including serving as chair of the Executive Council of the Arkansas
14 Presidents and Chancellors, a member of the Arkansas Department of Higher
15 Education Steering Council for Higher Education Priorities, a member of the
16 Arkansas Blue Ribbon Commission on Public Education, chair of the Arkansas
17 Higher Education Council, and president of the Council of Public Liberal Arts
18 Colleges; and
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20 WHEREAS, Dr. Dunn is married to Dr. Jane Dunn and they have four (4)
21 children, three (3) granddaughters and one (1) grandson; and
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23 WHEREAS, Dr. Dunn's outstanding tenure at Henderson State and his
24 countless contributions to higher education in the state are greatly
25 appreciated and will not soon be forgotten,
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27 NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE EIGHTY-SIXTH GENERAL
28 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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30 THAT the Senate hereby commends Dr. Charles D. Dunn for his
31 contributions to higher education in the State of Arkansas and wishes him all
32 the best in his future endeavors.
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34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Secretary of the Senate shall deliver a
35 copy of this resolution to Dr. Charles D. Dunn.
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