

WHEREAS, since Augustana's founding in 1860, the contributions of donors to the college has supported Augustana in the fulfillment of its mission; and

WHEREAS, gifts by alumni and friends of the college, coupled with earnings from the Augustana endowment, serve to enrich and support the educational experiences of every student; and

WHEREAS, support from such sources not only reduces the cost of attending Augustana, but also provides financial resources for special learning experiences and opportunities, such as the annual Celebration of Learning, many research and service-learning programs in the U.S. and abroad, athletics, music, fine arts and other programs; and

WHEREAS, Augustana's full tuition price has never equaled the total cost of an Augustana education, which is underwritten by the financial contributions of alumni and friends, foundations and businesses, as well as church and government sources; and

WHEREAS, such investment in Augustana's students and their education grants to those students freedom from paying the entire cost of attending one of America's leading liberal arts colleges; and

WHEREAS, in this, Augustana's sesquicentennial year, such non-tuition support of Augustana accounts for 18 percent of the instructional budget of the college; and

WHEREAS, on April 12, 2010, 79 days remain in the 2009-2010 Augustana College academic year, and all of the learning experiences that challenge and inspire Augustana students throughout those 79 days may be considered funded by the aggregate contributions of the college's supporters; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that in thanks to those who commit their financial resources in support of Augustana College and its mission of providing a challenging education that develops qualities of mind, spirit and body necessary for a rewarding life of leadership and service, all members of the Augustana College community be encouraged to pause and be mindful of their collective debt of gratitude for such dedicated and steadfast generosity; and be it further

RESOLVED, that April 12, 2010, is hereby proclaimed

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## TUITION FREEDOM DAY *at* AUGUSTANA COLLEGE

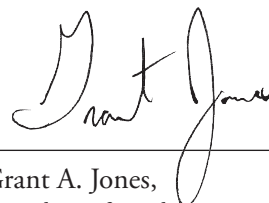
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To which end the undersigned do hereby signify their assent and encourage the students, faculty and staff of the college to join them in thanksgiving for all those who by their efforts have made and continue to make Augustana the outstanding college of the liberal arts and sciences it has been for one hundred fifty years, and continues to be today:



Steven C. Bahl,  
*president of Augustana College*



Grant A. Jones,  
*president of Student Government Association*