

MEMORANDUM
OFFICE OF THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF PLACER

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors
FROM: Mike Boyle, Assistant County Executive Officer
DATE: August 26, 2008
SUBJECT: RESOLUTION – Approve a resolution congratulating the University of California, Davis on its Centennial Celebration.



ACTION REQUESTED

Approve a resolution congratulating University of California, Davis on its Centennial celebration.

BACKGROUND

The University of California at Davis, is celebrating its centennial and the university is asking various government entities to acknowledge and participate in this 100 year occasion.

The University of California, Davis began in 1908. Over the past 100 years, it has grown and evolved to become a major research university with an outstanding reputation for pioneering new advances in such critical fields as energy research, climate change, medicine, veterinary science, law, engineering, agriculture, enology and viticulture. Over the past 100 years, the research conducted at the University of California, Davis has made significant contributions to advances in each of these fields.

As your Board has acknowledged, institutions of higher learning, such as UC Davis, contribute significantly to the quality of life not just locally, but regionally and nationally. Therefore, it is recommended that your Board approve the attached resolution acknowledging UC Davis for contributions and celebrating its centennial.

FISCAL IMPACT

None

Attachment: Correspondence from UC Davis

**In the Matter of a Resolution congratulating
University of California, Davis on its Centennial celebration
and for a century-long tradition of providing a quality education
to the youth of California and for fostering productive and vital
partnerships with the region, state, nation and world.**

Whereas, in October of 1908 the first students arrived on the campus of the newly established University Farm adjacent to the township of Davis to take courses in agriculture; and

Whereas, the University Farm has, over the past 100 years, grown and evolved to become the campus of a major research university, the University of California, Davis; and

Whereas, for a century the University of California, Davis has made innumerable contributions to the arts, languages, and sciences, and during that time has provided a quality education to hundreds of thousands of students, including many from the local region; and

Whereas, the university's growth, stature and achievements are a source of great and continuing pride for the entire Sacramento region and the State of California; and

Whereas, the university continues to contribute, consistent with its mission as a land grant institution, to the quality of life, the support of commerce, expansion of medical services, and enhancement and protection of the natural environment; and

Whereas, UC Davis faculty include 21 members of the National Academy of Sciences, 13 members of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, seven members of the National Academy of Engineering, five members of the Institute of Medicine, three members of the Royal Society, two members of the American Academy of Arts and Letters, two Pulitzer Prize winners, and two MacArthur Fellows; and

Whereas, UC Davis' contributes more than \$3 billion each year to the California economy, and is uniquely positioned to continue pioneering new advances in such critical fields as energy research, climate change, medicine, veterinary science, law, engineering, agriculture, enology and viticulture, to name a few; and

Whereas, UC Davis has invited the entire region to celebrate the occasion of its Centennial and to participate in the many activities planned to commemorate this auspicious date over the course of the coming year.

NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE KNOWN THAT, the Placer County Board of Supervisors does hereby congratulate UC Davis on the anniversary of its Centennial with best wishes and hopes for the university's continued success. The Board furthermore commends UC Davis for a century-long tradition of providing a quality education to the youth of California and for fostering productive and vital partnerships with the region, state, nation and world.

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From: Gary A. Sandy [mailto:gasandy@ucdavis.edu]

Sent: Monday, August 18, 2008 4:23 PM

To: Beverly Roberts

Subject: UC Davis Centennial

Dear Ms. Roberts:

UC Davis recently kicked off its Centennial celebration by opening an exhibit at the State Fair. I want to ask your help in assisting UC Davis with its celebration by placing before your council, a resolution commemorating UC Davis and its 100 years of service to the region. If you would be willing to sponsor such a resolution I will be happy to appear before the council to receive it. We hope to take your resolution and feature it in a display commemorating the Centennial and our partners in local government throughout the region.

I have pasted draft resolution language below. Obviously, you're free to amend or edit as you see fit. Please call or write if you have any questions, or need more information. I am grateful for your assistance and look forward to hearing back from you.

Thank you.

Gary Sandy
Director of Local Government Relations
UC Davis.

