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FACULTY EXPRESSES GRATITUDE TO LOLLEY, RENEWS COMMITMENT TO OWN CALLING

WAKE FOREST, NC - The faculty of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary here has adopted unanimously a resolution of support for President W. Randall Lolley and renewed their commitment to "fulfill our calling."

The resolution, adopted at the regular monthly meeting of the 38-member faculty, cited Lolley for "providing significant leadership for this Seminary and throughout the Southern Baptist Convention in a time of grave challenges to our evangelistic, missionary, and educational work..."

Lolley's commitment of time, talent and energy was seen as "a source of encouragement and inspiration" to the members of the Seminary's teaching staff, according to the resolution. He was further lauded for his affirmation of "the ministries of women in the tasks to which God has called them or yet shall call them..." and for his work "to open the doors of opportunity for ministry to all persons who are thus called..."

The resolution expressed "gratitude for and our hearty support of President Lolley."

Lolley, who was not present for the discussion and adoption of the resolution, celebrated on Aug. 1 ten years as president of the Southern Baptist Convention seminary.

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WHEREAS, Dr. W. Randall Lolley, president of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, is providing significant leadership for this Seminary and throughout the Southern Baptist Convention in a time of grave challenges to our evangelistic, missionary, and educational work; and

WHEREAS, he has vigorously and ably affirmed the ministries of women in the tasks to which God has called them or shall yet call them, and he has diligently striven to open the doors of opportunity for ministry to all persons who are thus called; and

WHEREAS, his commitment of time, talent, and energy to advancing the cause of Christ through a variety of ministries is a source of encouragement and inspiration to us;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that we, the Faculty of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, hereby go on record expressing our gratitude for and our hearty support of President Lolley.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we undertake anew our own commitment faithfully to fulfill our calling.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this statement be placed in the faculty minutes of this date, and that copies be sent to the editor of <u>The Enquiry</u> and the editors of <u>Baptist</u> Press and the state Baptist papers.

ADOPTED OCTOBER 17, 1984 BY THE FACULTY OF SOUTHEASTERN BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, WAKE FOREST, NORTH CAROLINA

