

# **Resolution of support for the possible merger of the University of Toledo and the Medical University of Ohio**

*Passed at the Dec. 6 Faculty Senate Meeting*

**WHEREAS** the presidents of The University of Toledo and the Medical University of Ohio have begun talks concerning a merger of the two institutions;

**AND WHEREAS** the positives of a potential merger included: improved prestige, improved political positioning, better public perception, enhanced fundraising capability, and increased state appropriations;

**AND WHEREAS** a merger would present the possibility for enhanced research funding and collaboration between existing research departments;

**AND WHEREAS** the merger of The University of Toledo and the Medical University of Ohio would produce the third largest public university in Ohio;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Faculty Senate of The University of Toledo supports in principle merging the two institutions;

**AND**, in the longstanding tradition of shared governance, the UT Faculty Senate looks forward to partnering with the MUO Faculty Senate and administrations of both universities as planning for and implementation of such a merger proceed.