RESOLUTION NO. 12-16

RELATIVE TO APPROVING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE STUDENT AFFAIRS, SCHOLARSHIP, ALUMNI RELATIONS AND HONORARY DEGREE COMMITTEE DURING ITS MEETING OF AUGUST 8, 2012 ON THE GRANTING OF RESIDENT TUITION RATES FOR STUDENTS ELIGIBLE FOR EDUCATION BENEFITS UNDER THE POST 9/11 VETERANS EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT OF 2010 (PL 111-377)

WHEREAS, the governance and control of the University of Guam is vested in the Board of Regents of the University of Guam; and,

WHEREAS, in accordance with applicable provisions, the Student Affairs, Scholarship, Alumni Relations and Honorary Degree Committee held a meeting on September 15, 2011 to address the issue of the granting of resident status for tuition purposes to certain students who are eligible for education benefits under the Post 9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2010 (Act) who attend the University of Guam; and

WHEREAS, under the revised law, Veteran’s Affairs will compensate students attending state schools and universities for the total cost of tuition but only at the resident rate; and,

WHEREAS, the number of individuals who are eligible for education benefits under the revised law has grown exponentially, but many are deterred from attending certain schools and universities because they do not meet residency requirements for resident tuition; and

WHEREAS, the Student Affairs, Scholarship, Alumni Relations and Honorary Degree Committee recommends to the Board the implementation of a policy to grant certain students who are eligible for benefits under the Post 9/11 Veterans Education Assistance Act of 2010, including any family members to which the benefit can be legally transferred, residency status for purposes of calculating tuition payment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Administration may grant resident status for tuition purposes to certain students eligible for benefits under the Act and the approval is effective immediately.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President of the University of Guam has the authority to set the parameters and regulations for the granting of resident status for tuition purposes for students eligible for benefits under the Act, consistent with this resolution.

Adopted this 20th day of September, 2012.

W. Chris Perez, M.D., Chairperson

ATTESTED:

Robert A. Underwood, Ed.D., Executive Secretary