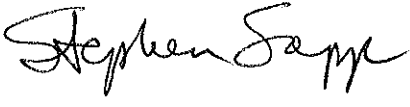




**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Donna E. Shalala, President

**From:** Stephen Sapp  
Chair, Faculty Senate 

**Date:** July 16, 2007

**Subject:** Faculty Senate Legislation #2007-18(B) –Proposal to add the University of Miami’s Mission Statement underneath the Foreword from the President on the Faculty Manual

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On February 28, 2007, the Faculty Senate approved the Proposal to add the University of Miami’s Mission Statement underneath the Foreword from the President on the Faculty Manual. This change becomes effective upon your approval. The proposal is enclosed for your reference.

This legislation is now forwarded to you for your action.

SS/ib

cc: Thomas LeBlanc, Executive Vice President and Provost  
David J. Birnbach, Vice Provost for University Administration and Faculty Affairs

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**PRESIDENT’S RESPONSE**

APPROVED:  DATE: 7-30-07  
(President’s Signature)

OFFICE OR INDIVIDUAL TO IMPLEMENT: FACULTY SENATE

EFFECTIVE DATE OF LEGISLATION: \_\_\_\_\_  
(if other than June 1 next following)

NOT APPROVED AND REFERRED TO: \_\_\_\_\_

REMARKS (IF NOT APPROVED): \_\_\_\_\_



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## The University of Miami Mission Statement and Core Values

### Mission Statement

The University of Miami's mission is to educate and nurture students, to create knowledge, and to provide service to our community and beyond. Committed to excellence and proud of the diversity of our University family, we strive to develop future leaders of our nation and the world.

### Core Values

We are absolutely committed to freedom of inquiry—the freedom to think, to question, to criticize, and to dissent. We will pursue the value of excellence in our research and educational missions with the single-mindedness that only great commitments deserve. We will provide our students with the foundations for ethical citizenship and service to others, a respect for differences among people, and a commitment to high standards of thought and communication. We also will prepare them for rewarding lifelong careers and will imbue in them a continued and permanent desire for the study of knowledge and the search for truth.

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## **FOREWORD FROM THE PRESIDENT**

This newest edition of the University of Miami *Faculty Manual* includes a description of the University's governance and administrative structure, faculty rights and responsibilities, and procedural bylaws. It is the latest version of an evolving document that reflects the core academic values, policies and procedures of the University.

Annually, the University implements changes in the Charter and the Bylaws. Changes to the *Faculty Manual* are frequently considered, and this volume is revised as needed. A faculty member with a question or a concern about any part of the *Manual* should consult the chair of their department, their dean or the Faculty Senate.

In my sixth year as President of the University of Miami and as a member of the faculty, I am pleased to welcome new members of the faculty to our community.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, the faculty, and the entire University community, I extend to all faculty members a most cordial greeting as we start a new academic year.

Donna E. Shalala