

Resolution to approve the Tar Heel Branch

To be presented at the AAUW NC Board Meeting October 31, 2008

Whereas, In 2006 AAUW of Montana developed the idea of a “branch without borders” that would serve an entire state, especially those areas where branches had disbanded;

Whereas, In 2007 AAUW NC approved a change to its bylaws to say that AAUW NC could provide special support to a branch established to serve the entire state;

Whereas, At the 2008 summer meeting, the AAUW NC board gave approval to a group that was to organize the branch that would claim that special status;

Whereas, Twenty-three members of AAUW have indicated that they wish to join this branch;

Whereas, Seven members, six of whom are past or current members of the AAUW NC board, have been elected to serve on the branch board of directors, satisfying the requirement that the organizing group understand the program of the Association;

Whereas, A written notice about the formation of this branch was sent to all the branch presidents in North Carolina;

Whereas, The members have chosen then name “Tar Heel Branch” and designated Doris Bernlohr of Burlington as their contact person;

Whereas, The formation of the branch is in the interest of AAUW in order to provide a more flexible affiliation method for members in communities where there is no branch and for members for whom a community-based branch is not a good fit; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the board of AAUW of North Carolina approves the formation of the Tar Heel Branch (the North Carolina branch without borders); and

Resolved, That the president and membership vice president shall sign the “State Board Approval for Branch Formation,” and that shall be forwarded to the Association.