

Board Meeting
March 13, 2007

RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE HABITAT FOR HUMANITY STUDENT
CHAPTER AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

The Board of Trustees at the University of Illinois sincerely appreciates and recognizes the unselfish, dedicated commitment, leadership, and volunteerism as demonstrated by Habitat for Humanity. The University of Illinois Habitat for Humanity Student Chapter works with the Champaign County Habitat for Humanity affiliate to help alleviate poverty housing around the Champaign County area. The Student Chapter's mission is to end substandard housing in partnership with the campus and surrounding community by connecting with families, education, building, and fundraising.

Since 1993, the Student Chapter has built seven homes and they are currently building an eighth home for the Sweid family that is scheduled to be completed and dedicated in mid-April of this year. The Student Chapter builds a house every other year to ensure that the Chapter has raised enough money to fund the building of a house. Through the partnership with the county affiliate, the students only have to raise half of the money to build a house. The cost to build a home in Champaign County is approximately \$60,000.

During each school year, the Student Chapter's primary goal is to raise as much money as possible. Even during a year in which a house is built, the Student Chapter does not reduce its fundraising goal, but usually sets a higher goal. Examples of

large fundraising events include the annual Volleyball Tournament and 5K Race. In addition to all of the fundraising and construction, the Student Chapter also sends 24 student volunteers on Spring Break trips to help other Habitat affiliates with their projects.

The Board of Trustees hereby recognizes and commends the University of Illinois Habitat for Humanity Student Chapter for its outstanding example of student volunteerism, which contributes to the fabric of student life on the Urbana campus, the community, and to the larger society.

The Board of Trustees directs that this resolution be incorporated into the minutes of today's meeting to become a part of the official public record, and that a suitable copy be given to the University of Illinois Habitat for Humanity Student Chapter as a permanent reminder of the esteem in which it is held.