WHEREAS, North Carolina general statute 95-98 and associated laws are antiquated measures that violate contemporary principles of human rights, including most importantly the right of workers to bargain collectively with their employers; and

WHEREAS, public employees' statutory inability to bargain collectively has resulted in numerous documented inequalities and workplace problems; and

WHEREAS, the AAUP is interested in promoting the welfare of public employees across the university and the state; and

WHEREAS, the International Labor Organization has issued a formal ruling identifying the prohibition of collective bargaining in North Carolina as a violation of core principles of human rights; and

WHEREAS, the Hear Our Public Employees (HOPE) Coalition has as its core principle the repeal of GS 95-98 and the restoration of public employees' right to bargain collectively;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

The University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill chapter of the American Association of University Professors (AAUP-UNCCH) publicly endorses the HOPE Coalition.