

**Resolution to Reaffirm Support for Academic Freedom (Expires 2002)**  
**Submitted by PSC-CUNY. Local 2334**

**Whereas** the New York State United Teachers adopted the following Resolution in its original form; and

**Whereas** the work of faculty at the City University of New York and State University of New York relies upon a commitment to academic freedom; and

**Whereas** academic freedom has been undermined and challenged in the aftermath of the September 11, 2001 attacks on the United States; and

**Whereas** it is essential to scholarship, research and teaching at the university level; therefore be it

**Resolved**, that NYSUT reaffirm its belief that higher education in New York State maintain an atmosphere of academic freedom which encourages individuals, in the words of the State University of New York's motto, " To Learn - To Search – To Serve," by offering forums where issues of diversity are explored in an environment of safety and mutual respect for all participants, and be it further

**Resolved**, that NYSUT oppose attempts to subject university activities to political or ideological screening by groups within or without the university community; and be it further

**Resolved**, that NYSUT reaffirm its support for the principle that the individual and collective professional judgment of the faculty, in accordance with the principle of academic freedom, is the best guarantor of intellectual quality.

Passed at the December 20, 2001 Delegate Assembly