

The University Senate of Michigan Technological University

PROPOSAL 24-06 (Voting Units: Entire Senate)

PROPOSAL TO EXTEND MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY TO A FULL DAY RECESS

History:

The following was presented to the University Senate by the Graduate Student Council.

A RESOLUTION TO: Recommend to the University Senate that the 2006-07 academic calendar be altered to reflect a full day's recess to celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day and that subsequent calendars be designed with the same such recess.

WHEREAS, the University Senate is tasked by the Board of Control to set the calendar for each academic year; and

REALIZING, Martin Luther King, Jr. devoted his life to reaffirming the civil rights of all people; and

REALIZING, the U.S. federal government has declared the day a national holiday; and

REALIZING, the current calendar, which dedicates a half day recess to celebrating the achievements of Martin Luther King, Jr., already breaks up the normal instruction/student services flow that is provided by a full day;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Graduate Student Council recommends to the University Senate that the 2006-07 academic calendar be altered to reflect a full day's recess to celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day and that subsequent calendars be designed with the same such recess.

Proposal:

The University Senate endorses this resolution of the Graduate Student Council.

Introduced in Senate: 1 March 2006

Adopted by Senate: 22 March 2006

Approved by Administration: 12 April 2006