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**Resolution #05
1997-98**

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PRESIDENT'S
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TO: Dr. Paul Yu, College President

FROM: The Faculty Senate Meeting on: **November 17, 1997**

RE: I. Formal Resolution (Act of Determination)
 II. Recommendation (Urging the fitness of)
 III. Other (Notice, Request, Report, etc.)
For your information

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SUBJ: **Resolution on Academic Freedom**

FACULTY SENATE
BROCKPORT, NY 14420

Signed: Anne H. Parsons Date Sent: 11/20/97
(Anne H. Parsons, Faculty Senate President)



TO: The Faculty Senate

FROM: Dr. Paul Yu, College President

RE: I. Decision and Action Taken on Formal Resolution
a. Accepted. Effective Date: ___/___/___
b. Deferred for discussion with the Faculty Senate on ___/___/___
c. Unacceptable for the reasons contained in the attached explanation

II, III.
 a. Received and acknowledged
b. Comment: _____

DISTRIBUTION: _____

Distribution Date: 12/11/97 Signed: Paul Yu
(President of the College)

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Resolution on Academic Freedom

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