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Whereas the University Forum was once able to bring in renowned speakers such as Stephen J. Gould, Gloria Steinem, Russell Means, Susan Sontag, Kurt Vonnegut and E.O. Wilson, Antonin Scalia, and Carl Bernstein;

Whereas the University Forum today has less than \$600 per speaker and is unable to bring in such high quality speakers;

Whereas the value of bringing in such speakers is much greater in terms of knowledge and learning than the money actually spent on the speakers;

Whereas the University Honors Forum is valuable not only to the campus community but to the Hattiesburg and Pine Belt communities;

Be it resolved, the Faculty Senate encourages the University administration to restore full funding to the Honors forum budget.