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## Faculty Senate Resolution

April 4, 2014

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WHEREAS, shortly before midnight of March 18, police received reports of shots being fired in the 200 block of North 25th Avenue, Hattiesburg. The next day police were called to the Islamic Center at 211 N. 25th Avenue where they saw evidence of bullets having been fired into the Center.

WHEREAS, several shots, apparently from a rifle, tore through the thick, wooden front door and penetrated an interior wall; other shots were fired through the back window and also penetrated interior walls. Fortunately no one was in the Center at the time.

BE IT RESOLVED, therefore, that the Faculty Senate of The University of Southern Mississippi, on behalf of the faculty, wishes to express their condemnation of the violence against the Islamic Center and their support for everyone to worship freely without fear of violence. Freedom of religion is a basic human right.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Faculty Senate also wishes to express their sincere appreciation for the Muslim students and Muslim faculty at USM whose presence adds to our diverse campus community.