## UNIVERSITY OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS BOARD OF TRUSTEES RESOLUTION ON THE UVI ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY POLICY

Purpose: To approve the Environmental Sustainability Policy

WHEREAS, the University of the Virgin Islands ("the University") is cognizant of the role it can play in preserving the environment for present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, the University expends substantial resources in utility costs that could otherwise be available for use in academic services, student services, program development, service delivery and the overall approach to institutional effectiveness and assessment; and

WHEREAS, the University has already implemented several environmental initiatives that have resulted in measureable cost savings over the last several years; and

WHEREAS, the University has developed an approach to "going green" (see Exhibits A and B); and deems a UVI Goes Green program and Environmental Sustainability Policy to represent its best interest in responding to the environmental sustainability needs of the Virgin Islands; and

WHEREAS, the Cabinet, UVI Senate, the Faculty, Staff Council, and Student Government Associations of the University have provided input, and collaborated, over the past four months, to develop an environmental sustainability program and policy, and the UVI Senate has approved the UVI Environmental Sustainability Policy; and

WHEREAS, the President of the University believes that the environmental sustainability policy and programs are consistent with the mission, vision, and goals of the University.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY THAT:

- 1. The Environmental Sustainability Policy, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit C, is hereby approved, and that the President is authorized to take such action as is necessary to implement this resolution.
- 2. This resolution shall become effective February 11, 2011.

## **CERTIFICATION**

The undersigned hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of a resolution of the Board of Trustees of the University of the Virgin Islands and adopted at its special meeting on Friday February 11, 2011, as recorded in the Minutes of the said meeting.

Secretary of the Board

February 11, 2011

Date