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UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-EAU CLAIRE
STUDENT SENATE RESOLUTION

IN SUPPORT OF STUDENTS' EFFORTS TO ENSURE A STUDENT
FRIENDLY STATE BUDGET

1 WHEREAS, the 2007-2009 biennium budget is over 110 days

2 late; and

3 WHEREAS, the University of Wisconsin System comprises a

4 significant portion of the Wisconsin state budget; and

5 WHEREAS, the funding of public education should not be a

6 partisan issue; and

7 WHEREAS, an investment in the UW System is an investment in

8 the future of the state of Wisconsin; and

9 WHEREAS, education is a right, not a privilege of the few;

10 and

11 WHEREAS, the future of the UW System is tied up in the

12 state budget process; and

13 WHEREAS, thousands of students are without financial aid

14 because there is no state budget; and

15 WHEREAS, the students of the UW System are facing a nearly

16 \$800 tuition surcharge for the spring semester; and

17 WHEREAS, students have been supporting and organizing for
18 the Wisconsin Needs Higher Education Reinvestment campaign since
19 February, 2007; and

20 WHEREAS, students have been organizing for write-in
21 campaigns, phone-in campaigns and lobby visits for the state
22 budget; and

23 WHEREAS, students have recognized the importance of their
24 involvement in the budget process for the future;

25 BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the UW-Eau Claire Student
26 Senate recognizes, appreciates, and supports the efforts of all
27 students, on behalf of students, to ensure a student friendly
28 state budget for the 2007-2009 biennium; and

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the UW-Eau Claire Student
30 Senate appreciates the efforts of all those that fight for the
31 rights of students on the state level; and

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the UW-Eau Claire Student
33 Senate supports and encourages students to attend the statewide
34 "Budget or Bust" rally on Wednesday, October 24 in Madison,
35 Wisconsin; and

36 BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that upon passage President
37 Raymond French transmit copies of this resolution to Dr. Brian
38 Levin-Stankevich, Chancellor; Dr. Steven Tallant, Provost/Vice
39 Chancellor; Andrew Soll, Vice Chancellor, Business & Student
40 Services; Andrew Phillips, Interim Associate Vice Chancellor,

41 Academic Affairs; Dr. Kimberly Barrett, Associate Vice
42 Chancellor, Student Development & Diversity; Senator Kathleen
43 Vinehout; Representative Jeff Smith; Senator Pat Kreitlow;
44 Representative Terry Moulton; Dr. Marty Wood, Chair, University
45 Senate; Mike Rindo, Executive Director, University
46 Communications; and Jesse Dixon, Acting Associate Dean of
47 Student Development, Student Development & Diversity.

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