WHEREAS, the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 took effect in January 2007; and

WHEREAS, this legislation caused an increase in the price of birth control for college students and low-income women; and

WHEREAS, birth control prices increased from an average of $5 per month to $50 per month; and

WHEREAS, birth control is a necessity for many students and many uninsured students cannot afford the full retrieval cost; and

WHEREAS, low-income women and college students should have access to affordable birth control;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Student Senate of the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire supports the Prevention Through Affordable Access Act (HR 4054/S. 2347; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Student Senate of the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire urges immediate action on this legislation; and
BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that upon passage President Raymond French transmit copies of this resolution to Dr. Brian Levin-Stankevich, Chancellor; Dr. Steven Tallant, Provost/Vice Chancellor; Andrew Soll, Vice Chancellor, Business & Student Services; Senator Russ Feingold; Senator Herb Kohl; Senator Kathleen Vinehout; Representative Ron Kind; Representative Tammy Baldwin; Representative Dave Obey; Representative Paul Ryan; Representative Jeff Smith; Four Year Student Government Presidents; Mark Schaff, Editor in Chief, Spectator; Dr. Marty Wood, Chair, University Senate; Ann Lapp, Interim Associate Vice Chancellor, Student Development & Diversity; and Jodi Thesing-Ritter, Associate Dean of Student Development, Student Development & Diversity.

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