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UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-EAU CLAIRE  
STUDENT SENATE RESOLUTION

IN SUPPORT OF RESPECT FOR DIVERSITY AMONG PEOPLE  
AND THE PRIDE FLAG

1           WHEREAS, the University has taken many steps towards  
2 improving the campus climate in LGBTQA issues; and

3           WHEREAS, steps towards increasing campus morale for the  
4 individuals in the LGBTQA community are becoming increasingly  
5 visible and are more supportive; and

6           WHEREAS, LGBTQA issues have in the past not been addressed  
7 as they are now; and

8           WHEREAS, the baccalaureate goals of UW-Eau Claire outline  
9 *Respect for Diversity Among People* as one of its priorities; and

10           WHEREAS, in conjunction with National Coming Out Day a  
11 rally will be held on the campus mall with the Chancellor and  
12 Vice-Chancellor in attendance; and

13           WHEREAS, National Coming Out Day represents the liberation  
14 of one's self identity in relation to their sexuality and  
15 societal connection; and

16           WHEREAS, support from the WAGE center, Dean of Students  
17 Office and Chancellors Office is recognized; and

18           WHEREAS, even through Housing and Residential Life, steps  
19 towards LGBTQA education have been apparent in Safe Space  
20 training through faculty and staff to the Resident Assistants on  
21 campus; and

22           WHEREAS, National Coming Out Day is celebrated on October  
23 11<sup>th</sup> and will be celebrated on campus on October 12<sup>th</sup>;

24           BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Pride Flag be flown  
25 outside of Davies Center on the 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> of October, 2009;  
26 and

27           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the student body recognizes the  
28 flag being flown as a symbol to respect diversity among people  
29 which is one of the baccalaureate goals; and

30           BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that upon passage, President  
31 Umhoefer transmit a copy of this resolution to Dr. Brian Levin-  
32 Stankevich, Chancellor; Dr. Patricia Kleine, Provost/Vice  
33 Chancellor; Dr. Beth Hellwig, Vice Chancellor, Student Affairs;  
34 David Gardner, WAGE LGBTQ Coordinator; Charles Farrell,  
35 Director, University Centers; and Jodi Thesing-Ritter,  
36 Associate Dean of Students, Dean of Students Office.

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