

March 14, 2011
PASSED by VOICE VOTE
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UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-EAU CLAIRE
STUDENT SENATE RESOLUTION

IN SUPPORT OF CIVILITY AND THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN
SYSTEM'S JOINT STATEMENT REGARDING CIVILITY

1 WHEREAS, during the current academic year, the University
2 of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, fellow University of Wisconsin System
3 campuses, and surrounding communities have experienced
4 incidences of violence and intolerance; and

5 WHEREAS, classmates, colleagues, and university personnel
6 have been victims to intolerance of race, sexual orientation,
7 gender identity, ethnicity, religion and other forms of
8 prejudice; and

9 WHEREAS, acts of prejudice or discrimination on any basis
10 should be challenged by the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire
11 and the University of Wisconsin System; and

12 WHEREAS, the University of Wisconsin System issued a Joint
13 Statement Regarding Civility on November 23, 2011; and

14 WHEREAS, the University of Wisconsin System held a special
15 conference on "Civility in Everyday Life" at the University of
16 Wisconsin-Oshkosh on February 24 and 25, 2011; and

17 WHEREAS, each University of Wisconsin institution was
18 represented by a Civility Leadership Team comprised of faculty,
19 staff, students, and diversity/inclusivity group leaders; and

20 WHEREAS, those in attendance gained invaluable insights on
21 the actions of fellow University of Wisconsin system
22 institutions to eliminate abusive actions on their campuses and
23 promote civility; and

24 WHEREAS, this insight will serve as inspiration for future
25 action to put a stop to acts of prejudice and discrimination on
26 University of Wisconsin System campuses and in their surrounding
27 communities; and

28 WHEREAS, in a civil society, diversity is cherished and
29 encouraged to flourish; and

30 WHEREAS, a call for civility is not a call for limits on
31 individual expression; and

32 WHEREAS, civility promotes safe, collegial learning and
33 working environments; and

34 WHEREAS, the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire is
35 dedicated to excellence through civility; and

36 WHEREAS, civility is not learned individually; it is
37 practiced as a community;

38 BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the University of Wisconsin-
39 Eau Claire Student Senate reaffirms the University of Wisconsin
40 System's Joint Statement Regarding Civility; and

41 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the University of Wisconsin-Eau
42 Claire Student Senate urges the students, staff, and faculty of
43 the UW-Eau Claire community to recommit themselves to a shared
44 sense of civility; and

45 BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that upon passage President Jambrek
46 transmit copies of this resolution to all UW Chancellors and
47 Interim Chancellors; Dr. Patricia Kleine, Provost/Vice
48 Chancellor; Dr. Beth Hellwig, Vice Chancellor, Student Affairs;
49 Dr. Brian Carlisle, Dean of Students; Dave Gessner, Assistant
50 Chancellor, Budget and Finance; Dr. Susan Harrison, Chair,
51 University Senate; Jacqueline Bonneville, Assistant Dean of
52 Students; Jennifer Lee, Director, CASE; Dr. Ari Anand, Assistant
53 Professor, Geography/Anthropology; Dr. Robert Eierman, Director,
54 CETL; Dr. Kent Syverson, Chair, Geology Department; and Dr.
55 Kevin Reilly, President, UW-System.

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