UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN–EAU CLAIRE
STUDENT SENATE RESOLUTION

IN RECOGNITION OF THE NCAA DIVISION III MEN’S HOCKEY CHAMPIONS, THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN–EAU CLAIRE BLUGOLDS

WHEREAS, the Blugold Men’s Hockey team compiled a regular season record of 24-5-2, with a conference record of 14-3-1; and

WHEREAS, the regular season record of 24-5-2 is the best in school history; and

WHEREAS, the team earned a conference record of 14-3-1, which won them the WAC conference championship title; and

WHEREAS, the team entered the NCAA tournament ranked fourth in the nation and were entering their first NCAA Frozen Four; and

WHEREAS, after winning the first three games of the national tournament with a combined score of 12-4, they faced the Oswego Lakers from Oswego, New York, whom were ranked third in the nation; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2013 at Herb Brooks Memorial Arena in Lake Placid, New York – site of the 1980 “Miracle on Ice,” the Blugold Men’s Hockey team beat the Lakers with a score of 5-3 to win the NCAA Division III Men’s Hockey National Championship; and

WHEREAS, this was the second National Championship in
Blugold hockey history, first as a member of the NCAA; and

WHEREAS, this was the third National Championship collectively as a school in the year of 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Blugold’s head coach, Matt Loen, was voted the USCHO D-III Coach of the Year; and

WHEREAS, three players were named to the CCM Division III All-American’s first team: Jordan Singer (Sr. Forward), Brandon Stephenson (Sr. Goaltender), and Jack Callahan (Sr. Defensemen); and

WHEREAS, the same three players were named to the all-USCHO team; and

WHEREAS, Stephenson led the conference in winning percentage and had the fourth most saves in school history; and

WHEREAS, Singer was named the National Tournament Most Outstanding Player; and

WHEREAS, this was the first National Championship since 1984, a 29-year absence for the team;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the students of UW-Eau Claire commend the Blugold Men’s Hockey Team on their stellar accomplishment; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that upon passage a copy of this resolution be sent to Dr. Gilles Bousquet, Interim Chancellor; Dr. Patricia Kleine, Provost/Vice Chancellor; Dr. Beth Hellwig,
Vice Chancellor, Student Affairs; Dr. Brian Carlisle, Dean of Students; Dr. Susan Harrison, Chair, University Senate; Dave Gessner, Assistant Chancellor, Budget & Finance; Mark Reeves, Director, Budget & Finance; President Barack Obama; Governor Scott Walker; Representatives Kathy Bernier, Dana Wachs, and Warren Petryk; Senators Terry Moulton and Kathleen Vinehout; U.S. Congressman Ron Kind; U.S. Senators Ron Johnson and Tammy Baldwin; Former Chancellor Brian Levin-Stankevich; Future Chancellor James C. Schmidt; Scott Killgallon, Director, Athletics; Coach Matt Loen and staff; Blugold Men’s Hockey Team; Manager of Hobbs Ice Arena; Tim Duffy; and former Student Body President Phillip P. Rynish.

SUBMITTED BY:
Katherine Stuckart, Secretary and Off-Campus Senator
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