UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-EAU CLAIRE
STUDENT SENATE RESOLUTION

IN SUPPORT OF THE UW SYSTEM 2015-2017 BIENNIAL BUDGET

WHEREAS, the UW System and higher education play an important role in ensuring Wisconsin’s economic and social prosperity; and

WHEREAS, the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire strives to provide students with the tools they need to become business owners and entrepreneurs; and

WHEREAS, the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, through high-impact practices, continues to prepare students with the skills they need to meet the talent demands of Wisconsin’s growing economy; and

WHEREAS, the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire’s ability to offer these programs, which stimulate economic growth across Western Wisconsin, is bolstered by support from the UW System and the State of Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, the budget would ensure “UW institutions have the people and the tools necessary to educate tomorrow’s leaders” by providing grants for business growth and entrepreneurial programs, opportunities for students to attain college credit by innovative means, recruitment of students and faculty into high demand fields,
and maintaining the traditional quality of academic instruction for which the UW System is known; and

WHEREAS, this budget aligns with the need of Wisconsin business and allows the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire to produce high-skilled, community-ready graduates that will drive economic and social growth for subsequent generations;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Student Senate strongly support the UW System’s 2015-2017 biennial budget; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Student Senate commend the UW System for its focus on preparing graduates for jobs in fields that benefit the city, region, and state; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Student Senate encourage the state legislature to pass this budget to aid in the fulfillment of the Wisconsin Idea; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that upon passage a copy of this resolution be sent to Dr. James Schmidt, Chancellor; Dr. Patricia Kleine, Provost/Vice Chancellor; Dr. Beth Hellwig, Vice Chancellor, Student Affairs; Dr. Joseph Abhold, Dean of Students; Mitch Freymiller, Chair, University Senate; Dr. Martin Hanifin, Vice Chancellor, Administration & Finance; Michael Rindo, Assistant Chancellor; Facilities and University Relations; UW System President Ray Cross; Senator Alberta Darling; Senator John Nygren; Senator Luther Olsen, Senator Sheila Harsdorf; Senator Mary Lazich; Senator Glenn Grothman; Senator Jennifer Shilling;
Senator Robert Wirch; Senator Kathleen Vinehout; Senator Terry Moulton; Representative Dale Kooyenga; Representative Dean Knudson; Representative Cory Mason, Representative Amy Vruwink; Representative Kathleen Bernier; Representative Warren Petryk; Representative Dana Wachs, Speaker Robin Vos; and Governor Scott Walker.

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