

**UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-EAU CLAIRE
STUDENT SENATE RESOLUTION**

IN SUPPORT OF WOMEN’S HISTORY MONTH

1 WHEREAS, Student Senate is the official voice of the student body at the University
2 of Wisconsin-Eau Claire; and

3 WHEREAS, the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire is committed to promoting and
4 supporting equity, diversity, and inclusion (EDI) efforts; and

5 WHEREAS, in 1980, the National Women's History Project (NWHP) was founded in Santa Rosa,
6 California by Molly Murphy MacGregor, Mary Ruthsdotter, Maria Cuevas, Paula Hammett, and Bette
7 Morgan¹; and

8 WHEREAS, this project highlighted historical achievements and moments that involved
9 women; and

10 WHEREAS, Congress passed Pub. L. 97-28, which authorized and requested the President to
11 proclaim the week beginning March 7, 1982 as “Women’s History Week.”; ¹ and

12 WHEREAS, in 1987, after being petitioned by the National Women’s History Project, Congress
13 passed Pub. L. 100-9 which designated the month of March 1987 as “Women’s History Month”¹; and

14 WHEREAS, since 1987, this month has been recognized federally as “Women’s History Month”
15 and has continued to be recognized for the past thirty-three years; and

16 WHEREAS, for the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire to acknowledge this month and celebrate
17 women would be supporting the efforts of the Gender and Sexuality Resource Center, History, and
18 Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies on campus and highlighting the majority gender group of our
19 campus; and

20 WHEREAS, according to a 2017 demographic statistic breakdown, the incoming class of first year
21 students were 1,500 female and 825 male; and

22 WHEREAS, *US News* states that “the majority of students at the University of Wisconsin-Eau
23 Claire are female-identifying”²; and

24 WHEREAS, the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire’s Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies and
25 History department are holding events and programs for this month; and

26 WHEREAS, the events and programs these departments will be holding are taking on a larger
27 discussion, those that are more inclusive and dives deeper into intersectional approaches; and

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28 WHEREAS, these events and programs will be executed through forums, films, and other
29 community outreach; and

30 WHEREAS, through such events that highlight beyond Eurocentric narratives and
31 brings an intersectional perspective to our campus; and

32 WHEREAS, the highlighting in these events and programs of the achievements and the
33 acknowledgement of the oppression of this gender will have an equitable approach to these
34 conversations.

35 WHEREAS, this month has been dedicated to amplify women's voices, to honor the past, inform
36 the present, and inspire the future; and

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the University of Wisconsin – Eau Claire Student
38 Senate acknowledges the month is celebrating women throughout history and the importance of
39 highlighting these moments; and

40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, we acknowledge the limitation that may be perceived by the title of
41 this month; and

42 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, we will acknowledge that highlighting one marginalized group does
43 not mean nullifying other marginalized groups; and

44 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the University of Wisconsin – Eau Claire Student Senate will continue
45 to support EDI initiatives on campus; and

46 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the University of Wisconsin – Eau Claire Student Senate will
47 continue to support Women’s History Month and all events and activities held to honor this month; and

48 BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that upon passage of this resolution, President Johnson will transmit a
49 copy to Dr. James Schmidt, Chancellor; Dr. Warren Anderson, Vice Chancellor, Equity,
50 Diversity, Inclusion and Student Affairs; LaRue Pierce, Dean of Students; Dr. Patricia Klein, Provost and
51 Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs; Dang Yang, Director of the Office of
52 Multicultural Affairs, Chris Jorgenson, Director, Gender and Sexuality Resource Center; Teresa
53 O’Halloran, Director, Affirmative Action; Paul Butrymowicz, Assistant Director, Activities, Involvement,
54 and Leadership Office; Kristin Schumacher, Director, University Centers, Evan Weiher, University
55 Senate, Vicky Thomas, Director, Services for Students with Disabilities

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SUBMITTED BY:

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Records Administration, National Endowment for the Humanities, National
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