WHEREAS, Student Senate Finance Commission adopted a new bylaw during the 2017-2018 school to allow for student initiatives to be funded by segregated fees; and

WHEREAS, this bylaw may be found in CHAPTER XII, SUBCHAPTER 9, PART 6, Section 1: ORGANIZED ACTIVITIES SPECIAL ALLOCATION ACCOUNT of the Student Senate Bylaws; and

WHEREAS, in 2019, students that identify as Latinx became the largest populations of students of color at the University of Wisconsin – Eau Claire; and

WHEREAS, Latinx students expressed that a dedicated space would make them feel more connected to the campus; and

WHEREAS, the Hibbard Hall Penthouse was dedicated to serve as the new Latinx Cultural Center this year; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Multicultural Affairs created a two-phase plan to renovate the new Latinx Cultural Center; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Multicultural Affairs requested funds to renovate the space during the first phase; and

WHEREAS, this request would fund the renovations of walls, secure entry, and ventilation ducts; and

WHEREAS, the Student Senate Finance Commission received a presentation from the Director of the Office of Multicultural Affairs at their weekly meeting on February 19, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Student Senate Finance Commission evaluated, exchanged ideas, deliberated and voted on the student initiative; and

WHEREAS, Student Senate Finance Commission passed a motion to fund this initiative for the full $9,866;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that upon passage, Senate Student will allocate $9,688 to help fund renovations for the Latinx Cultural Center; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that upon passage, President Johnson transmit a copy to Dr. James Schmidt, Chancellor; Dr. Patricia Klein, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs; Dr. Warren Anderson, Vice Chancellor, Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, and Student Affairs; Albert Colom, Vice Chancellor, Enrollment Management; John Haven III, Vice Chancellor, Finance and Administration; Dr. LaRue Pierce, Dean of Students; Evan Weiher, University Senate; Kristin Teresa O’Halloran, Director of Affirmative Action; Tracy Drier, Director of Budget and Resource Planning; Dang Yang, Director of Office of Multicultural Affairs; Diana Zarate, Associate Student Services Coordinator.