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To: Dean Van Galen, Chancellor  
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University of Wisconsin-River Falls

From: James Madsen, Chair  
Faculty Senate  
University of Wisconsin-River Falls

March 24, 2011

RE: UW-RF Faculty Senate Resolution 2010-2011/04

At the March 23, 2011 meeting of the University of Wisconsin-River Falls Faculty Senate, resolution 2010-2011/04 was passed. This resolution is forwarded to you for your information.

### **Resolution on Collective Bargaining and UW Madison Split Off**

**WHEREAS**, the pending 2011 Wisconsin Act 10 would result in a significant reduction in compensation for all state employees, and significantly compromise the existing collective bargaining rights of classified UWRF employees, and remove the option for collective bargaining from UWRF faculty and staff; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed 2011-13 Wisconsin biennial budget bill would cut funding for UW Systems institutions by \$250 million dollars over and above the \$90 million cuts in compensation that would result from the pending 2011 Wisconsin Act 10; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2011-13 Wisconsin biennial budget bill proposes to separate UW-Madison from the UW System, and grant only UW-Madison management flexibilities to optimize the use of state resources; and

**WHEREAS**, the breaking up of the UW System has many potential negative consequences for higher education Access, Affordability, and Accountability in Wisconsin,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the UWRF Faculty Senate opposes both the *content* of Wisconsin Act 10 and *process* by which Wisconsin Act 10 has been considered; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the UWRF Faculty Senate calls on the Governor to restore collective bargaining rights to faculty and staff and to rescind the changes to the collective bargaining rights of UWRF classified employees; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the UWRF Faculty Senate supports the Biennial Budget Resolution passed by the UW Board Regents at the March 10, 2011 Board of Regents meeting; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the UWRF Faculty Senate supports the Wisconsin Partnership Idea proposed by the Board of Regents and the UW System, which provides the requested and necessary management flexibilities while maintaining our successful current UW System structure; and

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that UWRF - along with our UW System sister institutions – be allocated resources necessary to continue providing our citizens the affordable, high-quality, and universally-accessible education that is the essential foundation for private sector job creation within the state of Wisconsin.