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SE0910-001: Resolution in Support of the Student Aid and Fiscal Responsibility Act

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WHEREAS; the Student Aid and Fiscal Responsibility Act (SAFRA) was introduced in the U.S. House of Representatives on July 15th, 2009 by Representative George Miller of California; and,

WHEREAS; SAFRA will index the Pell Grant to inflation plus one percent, increasing the Pell Grant to \$40 billion over ten years; and,

WHEREAS; SAFRA will provide \$3 billion over the next five years to increase college access, retention and completion, provide financial literacy training to students and facilitate post-completion employment; and,

WHEREAS; SAFRA will simplify the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), increasing accessibility to federal aid for all students; and,

WHEREAS; SAFRA switches to 100% direct lending for all Federal Family Education Loans (FFEL), to be administered by the Department of Education and serviced by not for profit state agencies; and,

WHEREAS; SAFRA expands the Perkins Loan Program to \$6 billion per year; and,

WHEREAS; in the past decade, tuition alone has doubled in the UW System; and,

WHEREAS; in the 2007-2008 academic year, 110,000 UW System students received over \$950 million in government aid; and,

WHEREAS; the UWLSA is charged with “protecting, promoting, and developing the rights of the students of the University,” such as the right to an affordable and accessible education; and,

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WHEREAS; the passage of SAFRA would have direct tangible gains for many students, including increased financial freedom, affordability and accessibility of a higher education; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED; that University of Wisconsin-La Crosse Student Association, acting as steward of students' rights at UW-L, endorses the passage of the Student Aid and Fiscal Responsibility Act; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; the UWLSA forward this resolution to Congressman Ron Kind, Senator Herbert Kohl, Senator Russell Feingold, and any others deemed necessary.

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