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**SA2122-008: Resolution Extending a Welcome to Afghan Refugees Arriving in Western Wisconsin**

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WHEREAS estimates by the United States Department of State published in the La Crosse Tribune have suggested that upwards of 13,000 refugees from the country of Afghanistan may be relocated from their homeland to this region of Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS various nonprofit organizations, units of local government, and other important groups within our community have been working tirelessly to care for and resettle these refugees in the United States; and

WHEREAS Western Wisconsin has a longstanding tradition of welcoming refugees into the area, as occurred in the mid-1970s during a period of mass migration to the United States from Southeastern Asia following the events of the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS Student Association has frequently emphasized its strong commitment to promote inclusivity, tolerance, and respect for the diverse backgrounds of all people;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the UW-La Crosse Student Association expresses a warm welcome to the thousands of Afghan refugees arriving in Western Wisconsin and conveys support and gratitude for those in our community who are ensuring a safe, comfortable, and secure experience for everyone involved in this ongoing effort.

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President, Student Senate  
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