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**SA1819-038: Resolution to Support and Endorse the Petition for a Sustainability Coordinator**

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WHEREAS the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse (UWL) is committed to working towards sustainable environmental excellence;

WHEREAS UWL collects student segregated fees for the Green Fund so students and faculty can write grants to implement sustainable projects on campus;

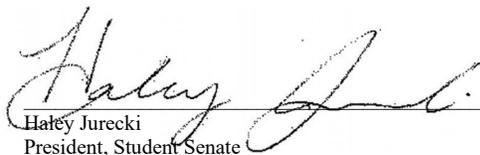
WHEREAS sustainable projects and programs implemented on UWL campus could continue to be facilitated after students complete projects and/or leave UWL;

WHEREAS the position of Sustainability Coordinator would benefit the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse by dedicating resources to the betterment of sustainable practices across different departments;

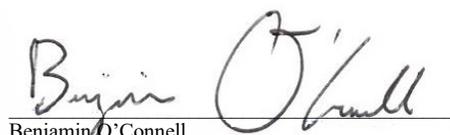
WHEREAS similar universities in the UW system such as UW-Oshkosh, UW- Eau Claire, and UW-Whitewater have dedicated resources to the position of Sustainability Coordinator;

WHEREAS the position of Sustainability Coordinator would centralize the sustainable efforts of the Joint Committee on Environmental Sustainability, Student Association, the Green Fund, and Students for Sustainability;

WHEREAS the chancellor's Joint Committee on Environmental Sustainability unanimously endorsed the Talloires Declaration in 2007 with intents for "strategic discussion and action concerning sustainability and environmental literacy on campus," as written in their document, Moving Toward a Sustainable Future at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse;

  
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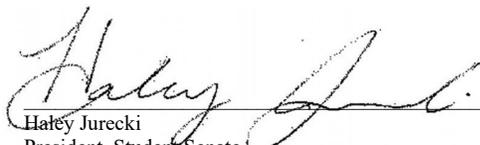
WHEREAS Chancellor Joe Gow agreed with the committee's findings and signed the Talloires Declaration on Earth Day, April 22, 2008;

WHEREAS having the position of Sustainability Coordinator would supplement our strategic plan by investing in our people, advancing transformational education, and increasing community engagement;

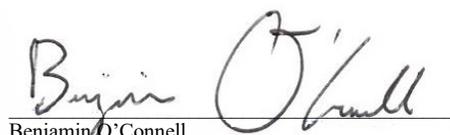
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; UWL- Student Association will support and endorse the petition for the position of Sustainability Coordinator to be created on our campus that reads:

*Members of Students for Sustainability have created this petition with the intention of showing administration that there is student support for creating a Sustainability Coordinator position on our campus. Currently, UWL is one of the only UW schools without a sustainability coordinator. Other comparable universities including UW-Oshkosh, UW-Eau Claire, and UW-Whitewater have been able to create this position. A Sustainability Coordinator would positively impact many different aspects of campus life. The United Nations created a list of 17 sustainable development goals including promoting good health and well-being, quality education, equality, and creating peace and justice in our institution. By adhering to these goals, a Sustainability Coordinator would have a positive impact on all students attending our university and create a more resilient community.*

*We, the undersigned students of UW-La Crosse, believe that sustainability is a priority in budget considerations and a Sustainability Coordinator position should be implemented.*

  
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