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

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 the both the content of Wisconsin Act 10 and process by which Wisconsin State 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 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 that would provide the requested management flexibilities while keeping the UW System intact; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that UWRF, along with the rest of the UW System institutions, needs the resources to continue to provide affordable, high-quality education with fairly-compensated faculty and staff that is essential to the long-term well-being of the citizens of Wisconsin.