WHEREAS, the University of Wisconsin – Eau Claire (UW-Eau Claire) is committed to the values “of sustainability and commitment to preserving and enhancing not only the natural beauty of our campuses, but also our built environment and the relationships that define the health and equity of our communities and region”; and

WHEREAS, the Student Office of Sustainability (SOS) is committed to allocating student dollars, in accordance with UW System 820 policy, toward sustainable initiatives that directly benefit our students; and

WHEREAS, the Pack it Up Pass it on event has occurred for at least 20 years now and is utilized by many off campus students; and

WHEREAS, is one of the few services that the SOS can fund for off campus students; and

WHEREAS, the increase of usage along with the increase in services offered such as metal scrapping and mattress recycling has caused the cost to increase; and

WHEREAS, that is why it is before the Senate body today, as the cost will now exceed 5,000 dollars to run smoothly and meet the needs of students; and

WHEREAS, the Student Office of Sustainability’s General Assembly passed, unanimously on April 5th, 2023, attachment A, in support of allocating $7,144 dollars toward the annual Pack it Up Pass it on event; and

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the University of Wisconsin – Eau Claire Student Senate echoes consent from the Student Office of Sustainability’s General Assembly, to allocate $7,144 toward this initiative; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that upon passage of this bill, President Gaitan will transmit a copy to Dr. James Schmidt, Chancellor; Dr. Patricia Kleine, Provost and Vice Chancellor, Academic Affairs; Grace Crickette, Vice Chancellor, Finance and Administration; Billy Felz, Vice Chancellor of Enrollment Management; Brian Drollinger, Director of Risk Management, Safety, and Sustainability; Gregory Heinselman, Dean of Students; Troy Terhark, Director, Facilities; Renee Strehlau, Campus Facilities Planner, Facilities; Associate Director of Facilities; Tracy Drier, Associate Director, Budget and Resource Planning; Quincy Nesgoda, Student Body President, UW-Eau Claire-Barron County; Evan Weiher, Chair, University Senate; Nicole Owen, Chair, University Staff Council;