Whereas the current economic crisis, the worst of our generation, forces the state, the University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee, and its administration and faculty to make serious decisions about the future of our institution;

Whereas we believe that all funds should contribute to the budget reduction strategies;

Whereas we believe that academic programs and the research mission of our University must be preserved in the budget reduction exercise;

Whereas the budget reduction strategies put forth in the UWM Budget Reduction Discussion Document and the UBR Budget Cut Strategies Brainstorming Session Document rely most heavily on cuts that will negatively impact academic programs and the research mission of our University;

Be it resolved that we:

Expand the budget reduction exercise such that our ability to deliver high quality instruction and high quality research is not compromised; and

Realign the budget reduction exercise so that all budgetary units are not treated equally and a distinction is made between units that serve the teaching and research mission of the University and those that are peripheral to the teaching and research mission of the University, including administration.