



September 25, 2007

Representative Mike Huebsch
Representative Kitty Rhoades
Representative Jeff Fitzgerald
Representative Jim Kreuser

Senator Judy Robson
Senator Russ Decker
Senator Robert Jauch
Senator Scott Fitzgerald

Members of the Conference Committee:

In recent weeks, University of Wisconsin-Madison alumni have sent to the Capitol nearly 30,000 messages supporting funding for the state's public university. The future of the University of Wisconsin is important to UW graduates in every legislative district — Republicans, Democrats, and Independents alike.

UW-Madison relies on state general purpose revenue to provide the core education and services that today's undergraduate students and their parents expect and deserve. On behalf of the Wisconsin Alumni Association, we ask you to provide \$70 million in GPR in the state budget to make sure UW can meet current commitments to students.

Wisconsin must also continue to invest in UW-Madison's unique resources, such as the state's only public Law School, lab facilities to promote research and innovation, updated residence halls where future UW alumni will live and learn, and our universally loved student unions.

Future graduates will also benefit from investments Wisconsin can make today to keep the best and brightest faculty and staff, to build UW academic programs, to improve advising on campus, and to provide financial aid to students in need.

UW graduates are making their voices heard, and we thank you for listening. Badger alumni are proof that when the state supports the UW, taxpayers see an outstanding return on their investment.

On Wisconsin!

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Douglas K. Griese '75
Chair of the Board
Wisconsin Alumni Association

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter C. Christianson'.

Peter C. Christianson '71, JD'77
Chair
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cc: Governor Jim Doyle
Paula Bonner MS'78, Wisconsin Alumni Association
Chancellor John Wiley MS'65, PhD'68, University of Wisconsin-Madison