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Title

Commending the Student Journalists of The Daily Cardinal and The Badger Herald for Exceptional Journalism

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WHEREAS, the Daily Cardinal and the Badger Herald have consistently provided the University of Wisconsin-Madison and the larger Madison community with diligent and comprehensive news coverage since their founding in 1892 and 1969 respectively, embodying the highest standards of student journalism; and,

WHEREAS, these newspapers operate primarily through the efforts of dedicated student volunteers, who, despite not receiving monetary compensation, commit themselves to the journalistic profession and the pursuit of truth; and,

WHEREAS, these student journalists have consistently demonstrated a level of professionalism and quality that often rivals that of established professional news outlets; and,

WHEREAS, these student journalists not only focus on reporting the events on a factual basis but strive to create connections within our community, enriching our shared culture; and,

WHEREAS, the recent encampment on Library Mall to support the people of Gaza was an event of significant community interest and concern; and,

WHEREAS, the Daily Cardinal and Badger Herald demonstrated exceptional journalistic integrity and commitment by providing nearly 24/7 coverage of the protest during a demanding academic period, including through finals week; and,

WHEREAS, their work not only kept students, faculty, and the broader Madison community informed but also fostered a deeper understanding of the issues at hand, contributing to a well-informed public discourse;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Common Council recognizes and commends the Daily Cardinal and Badger Herald for their exemplary service to journalism and our community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Common Council acknowledges the sacrifices and dedication of the student journalists who manage, write, photograph, edit, and otherwise staff these publications, thanking them for their hard work, especially during the critical coverage of the recent campus protests.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Madison Common Council encourages community members to engage with and read our renowned campus newspapers.