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1 **The Associated Students of the University of Montana**
2 **Resolution Establishing Student Group Leader Removal Process**
3 **October 16, 2019**
4 **SB17-19/20**

5 **Authored by: Daniel Parsons, ASUM Business Manager;**
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7 Whereas, The Associated Students of the University of Montana (ASUM) oversee all recognized student
8 groups on campus;

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10 Whereas, ASUM values the contributions that these student groups and their leaders make on campus, in
11 the broader Missoula community, and across the country;

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13 Whereas, ASUM promotes fostering a safe and inclusive space for all of its members;

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15 Whereas, Student group leaders are integral in fostering a safe and inclusive space for students and should
16 be held to a standard that reflects the ideals of the student body;

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18 Whereas, ASUM recently established criteria for which student group leaders could be removed from
19 their positions;

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21 Whereas, There is currently no process outlined in which student group leaders can be removed for failing
22 to meet these criteria;

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24 Whereas, It would be irresponsible to remove a student group leader from their group without a fair and
25 outlined process;

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27 Therefore, Let It Be Resolved, That two new subsections be created in Section 4 of the ASUM Bylaws to
28 outline a removal process and an appeals process for student group leaders:

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30 ***“J. If the Board receives evidence that a student group leader failed to meet the requirements***
31 ***outlined above, the Board may act to remove said leader from holding a position of leadership***
32 ***with a simple majority vote. The Board’s decision will then be forwarded to the floor of the***
33 ***Senate within the Business Manager’s Report for general discussion. At that point, the Senate***
34 ***may accept the results given by the Board or vote to overturn the Board’s decision with a 2/3***
35 ***vote. During these proceedings, the Business Manager may exercise discretion to enter into a***
36 ***closed session to protect the identity of the student group leader involved.***
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38 ***K. In the event that a student group leader is removed from their position, they may appeal***
39 ***directly to the Senate during the Business Manager’s Report at the next ASUM meeting. The***
40 ***Business Manager may exercise discretion to enter into a closed session to protect the identity***
41 ***of the student group leader involved. During this appeal, the student group leader will be given***
42 ***the opportunity to advocate for a reversal of their removal. The Senate can then uphold their***
43 ***initial decision or vote to overturn it with a 2/3 vote.”***
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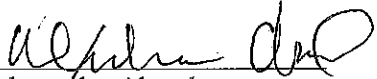
45 Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, That the subsequent subsections be numbered correctly so as to
46 reflect the changes made above;

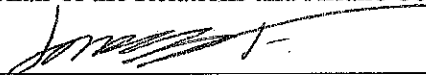
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48 Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, That this resolution be sent to Gwendolyn Coon, ASUM Office
49 Manager; Marlene Hendrickson, ASUM Accountant; Lou Villemez, ASUM Legal Director; and Kenzie
50 Carter, Student Group Coordinator.

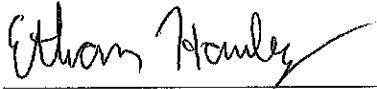
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Passed by Committee: October 13, 2019

Passed by ASUM Senate: October 23rd, 2019


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Chair of the Board on Member Organizations


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Chair of the Senate

Approved by ASUM Senate 16Y-0N-5A