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1 **The Associated Students of The University of Montana**
2 **Resolution Regarding Fiscal Policy**
3 **December 5, 2012**
4 **SB38-12/13**

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6 **ASUM Senators; and Micah Nielsen, ASUM Business Manager**

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9 Whereas, The Associated Students of The University of Montana (ASUM) allocates in excess of
10 \$82,000 to student groups and unions in an average year;

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12 Whereas, each student group and union has equal opportunity to sign up for an allotted time to
13 lobby to the ASUM Senate;

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15 Whereas, the formal lobbying process allows the ASUM Senate to become more familiar with
16 the activities and needs of each student group and union;

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18 Whereas, the more educated the ASUM Senate is about each student group or union, the more
19 effectively they are able to make decisions regarding the budget of each group;

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21 Whereas, Section 9.12 of ASUM Fiscal Policy currently reads:

- 22 • 9.12 The Order of Funding Categories. The order of discussion on categories shall be
23 selected by lottery during the Business Manager’s report no less than one (1) week prior
24 to Final Budgeting.

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26 Therefore, Let It Be Resolved, that Section 9.12 The Order of Funding Categories shall be
27 amended to read:

- 28 • 9.12 The Order of Funding Categories. The order of discussion on categories shall be
29 selected by lottery during the Business Manager’s report no less than one (1) week prior
30 to Final Budgeting.
- 31 • **9.12.1 The Order of Funding of Student Groups and Unions. The funding of**
32 **student groups and unions shall be done in no less than two (2) rounds. Only those**
33 **student groups and unions who have presented to the ASUM Senate during the**
34 **period of Formal Lobbying in the current academic year are eligible to be funded**
35 **during round one, regardless of the presence of an executive recommendation,**
36 **unless overturned by a two thirds (2/3) majority of the ASUM Senate. All student**
37 **groups and unions will be eligible to be considered in the second round.**

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39 Passed by Committee: _____, 2012

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41 Passed by ASUM Senate: _____, 2012

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45 Damara Simpson,
46 Relations and Affairs Chair

Bryn Hagfors,
Chair of the Senate