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1                   **The Associated Students of The University of Montana**  
2                   **Resolution Regarding ASUM Sustainability Fee**

3                   **March 27, 2013**

4                   **SB67-12/13**

5                   **Authored by: Alexandra Rich, ASUM Sustainability Chair**

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7                   **President; Becca Boslough, ASUM Senator**

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9                   Whereas, The Associated Students of The University of Montana (ASUM) Sustainability Fee  
10                   supports a variety of student-directed and facilitated projects on campus that are related to or  
11                   focused on sustainability;

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13                   Whereas, the ASUM Sustainability Fee provides funding for the ASUM Sustainability  
14                   Coordinator position and the Kless Revolving Energy Loan Fund (KRELF), both of which  
15                   impact the student body through outreach, activities, volunteer opportunities, and funding for  
16                   grants and loans;

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18                   Whereas, the fee can be opted-out of which allows for students to choose whether or not they  
19                   wish to pay it;

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21                   Whereas, the renewal period for the fee is based off of a biannual timeline, which is set to reset  
22                   in the spring of 2013;

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24                   Whereas, the ASUM Sustainability Fee has a six-year sunset period that ends in the spring of  
25                   2014, making it necessary to renew it in the spring of 2013 in order for the Sustainability  
26                   Coordinator and the KRELF program to continue;

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28                   Therefore, Let It Be Resolved, that ASUM supports the student body vote on the renewal of the  
29                   ASUM Sustainability Fee in the Spring of 2013 at \$6.00 per semester as an opt-out fee for the  
30                   purpose of providing funding for the ASUM Sustainability Coordinator as well as the Kless  
31                   Revolving Energy Loan Fund;

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33                   Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved that the ASUM Senate approves the following language to  
34                   be placed on the ballot in the April 2013 referendum and election process:

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36                   Kless Revolving Energy Loan Fund (KRELF) and the ASUM Sustainability Fee

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38                   The ASUM Sustainability Fee is an optional \$6 per student per semester fee that generates over  
39                   \$80,000 each year, which is dedicated to the Kless Revolving Energy Loan Fund (KRELF) and

40 the ASUM Sustainability Coordinator position. The fee would be opt-out to give students the  
41 option of not supporting the fund.

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43 \_\_\_ Yes, I support the passage of an optional \$6 per student per semester fee to continue the  
44 Kless Revolving Energy Loan Fund (KRELF) and the ASUM Sustainability Coordinator  
45 position.

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47 \_\_\_ No, I do not support the passage of an optional \$6 per student per semester fee to continue  
48 the Kless Revolving Energy Loan Fund and the ASUM Sustainability Coordinator position.

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51 Passed by Committee: \_\_\_\_\_, 2013

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53 Passed by ASUM Senate: \_\_\_\_\_, 2013

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57 Damara Simpson,  
Relations and Affairs Chair

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Bryn Hagfors,  
Chair of the Senate