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The Associated Students of The University of Montana
Resolution of Constitutional Amendment
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Whereas, The Associated Student of The University of Montana (ASUM) is the organization entrusted with representing the student voice;

Whereas, the larger campus body is adequately represented by the diversity of the senate body;

Whereas, Missoula College and graduate students have a smaller representative body and have traditionally found it difficult to be elected at-large;

Whereas, The Missoula College and Graduate students are historically underrepresented on the body of senate;

Whereas, a reserved senate seat for both The Missoula College and any Graduate student constituency would help to ensure the voices of under-represented students;

Therefore, Let It Be Resolved that if the following language passes a vote of the student body one senate seat will be held for one Missoula College and one graduate student, if more than one candidate runs, the person with the highest vote count will win the reserved seat and the runner up will enter the at-large pool of candidates. If no student from the organization runs, those organizations’ reserved seats will be given back to the at-large pool of student candidates.

Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved that the following language be submitted to the April 2013 elections:

“This The Associated Students of The University of Montana (ASUM), having twenty six senate seats available to the student body, ASUM proposes rezervign two of these seats for one representative from The Missoula College and one representative from The Graduate School, the remaining to be voted upon at-large.

Do you support the reservation of two senate seats for representatives from The Missoula College and The Graduate School?

Yes, I support the reservation of two senate seats for representatives from both The Missoula College and The Graduate School.

No, I do not support the reservation of two senate seats for representatives from both The Missoula College and The Graduate School.”
Passed by Committee: _____________________________, 2013
Passed by ASUM Senate: __________________________, 2013

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Damara Simpson,                                    Bryn Hagfors,
Relations and Affairs Chair                          Chair of the Senate