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1                   **The Associated Students of The University of Montana**  
2                   **Resolution Regarding Residence Life Communications**

3                                   **May 1, 2013**

4                                   **SB94-12/13**

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9   **Senator; Micah L. Nielsen, ASUM Business Manager; Nhi Soto, Resident Assistant**

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11   Whereas, freshmen at The University of Montana are required to live in on-campus  
12   residence halls;

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14   Whereas, approximately 3400 students lived in housing owned by The Residence Life  
15   Office during spring semester 2013;

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17   Whereas, Residence Life employs approximately 72 students as resident assistants;

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19   Whereas, residents pay over \$1500 per semester to live in the residence halls;

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21   Whereas, the living situation of students directly impacts their quality of life;

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23   Whereas, resident assistants and residents are under the auspices of Residence Life;

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25   Whereas, many grievances have been reported to The Associated Students of The  
26   University of Montana (ASUM) over the past year regarding Residence Life policy on  
27   student conduct;

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29   Whereas, Residence Life’s mission statement reads “Residence Life provides safe, clean,  
30   healthy, and affordable living and learning facilities that fosters an inclusive community  
31   living environment for students, staff, faculty, and guests”;

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33   Whereas, Residence Life lists two of its core values as inclusive and collaborative;

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35   Therefore, Let It Be Resolved, that ASUM encourages a more open dialogue between  
36   residents and Residence Life;

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38   Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, that ASUM encourages a more open dialogue  
39   between student staff and Residence Life;

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41   Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, that a copy of this resolution be sent to Sandy  
42   Schoonover, director of Residence Life and Teresa Branch, VP of Student Affairs.

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

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

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53 Damara Simpson,  
Relations and Affairs Chair

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Bryn Hagfors,  
Chair of the Senate