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1 **The Associated Students of The University of Montana**
2 **Resolution in Support of the Designated Suppliers Program**
3 **September 10th, 2008**

4 **Senate Bill Number SB6-08/09**

5 **Authored by: ASUM Senator Matt Fennell**

6 **Sponsored by: Svein Newman, ASUM Senator; Lucas Hamilton, ASUM Senator**

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8 Whereas, The University of Montana is affiliated with the Worker Rights Consortium (WRC), “an
9 independent labor rights monitoring organization conducting investigations of working conditions in
10 factories around the globe;”

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12 Whereas, the Designated Suppliers Program (DSP) is “a comprehensive program for enhancing the
13 enforcement of university codes of conduct;”

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15 Whereas, the DSP provides for actions to be taken on behalf of the monitoring reports The University of
16 Montana receives *from the WRC* concerning their factory conditions;

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18 Whereas, the DSP requires universities to source apparel from factories that have been independently
19 verified to supply their workers with a living wage and other essential workers rights;

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21 Whereas, the DSP is to be implemented in phases so that factories The University of Montana sources
22 from are able to make changes to meet the requirements within a *six-month* grace period;

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24 Whereas, this is *necessary* ~~absolute in order~~ to *ensure* ~~verify~~ that The University of Montana’s apparel is
25 not made under inhumane factory conditions.

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27 Therefore, Let It Be Resolved, that the Associated Students of The University of Montana support the
28 endorsement of the Designated Suppliers Program.

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Passed by Committee: September 8, 2008

Passed by Senate: September 10, 2008

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32 Andrew Dusek,
33 Relations and Affairs Chair

_____ Siri Smillie,
Chair of the Senate

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1 **The Associated Students of The University of Montana**
2 **Resolution Supporting MontPIRG's Affiliation with USPIRG**

3 **September 10th, 2008**

4 **Senate Bill Number SB7-08/09**

5 **Authored by: ASUM Senator Lucas Hamilton**

6 **Sponsored by: ASUM Senator Matt Fennell, ASUM Vice President Siri Smillie**

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8 Whereas, the Montana Public Interest Research Group (MontPIRG) is the largest private, student-led
9 non-profit in Montana;

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11 Whereas, MontPIRG provides opportunities for students in leadership training, grassroots organizing,
12 nonprofit management, and political involvement, ~~unlike any other organization at The University of~~
13 ~~Montana;~~

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15 Whereas, MontPIRG is known across the state as an important, student-led lobby for public interest
16 issues in the legislature;

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18 Whereas, MontPIRG's affiliation with the United States Public Interest Research Group (USPIRG) will
19 ensure continued organizational stability;

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21 Whereas, MontPIRG's association with USPIRG will provide students with the opportunity for
22 advancement and employment with the national public advocacy movement.

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24 Therefore, Let It Be Resolved that the Associated Students of The University of Montana support
25 MontPIRG's affiliation with USPIRG.

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Passed by Committee: _____, 2008

Passed by Senate: _____, 2008

Committee Chair
Senator Andrew Dusek

Chair of the Senate
Siri Smillie

