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1                                   **The Associated Students of the University of Montana**  
2                                   **Resolution Regarding Student Mandates**  
3                                   **September 24th, 2014**

4                                   **SB025-14/15**

5                                   **Authored by: Betsy Story, ASUM Senator**

6                                   **Sponsored by: Jonathan Knudson, ASUM Senator; Ryan Hazen, ASUM Business**  
7                                   **Manager**

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9       Whereas, discrimination is defined by the University as:

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11                   *Conduct that is based upon an individual's...age...that excludes an individual*  
12                   *from participation, denies the individual the benefits of, treats the individual*  
13                   *differently or otherwise adversely affects a term or condition of an*  
14                   *individual's... education...or participation in a University program or activity.*

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16       Whereas, there is significant overlap in themes found in PETSAs and AlcoholEdu, as well  
17       as with the offline 'Beer Goggles' program;

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19       Whereas, the mandated completion of PETSAs at least once in addition to both parts of  
20       AlcoholEdu in one semester, for all incoming Freshman under 21 years of age, is an  
21       unnecessary inconvenience with three online tutorials in the period of less than four  
22       months;

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24       Whereas, the initial email regarding AlcoholEdu stated that students with disabilities  
25       would be required to seek assistance themselves to complete said program, this is both  
26       negligent and unreasonable;

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28       Whereas, the requirement that only students under 21 must complete AlcoholEdu  
29       implies that only underage students can benefit from the information provided by the  
30       program;

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32       Therefore, Let It Be Resolved that the Associated Students of the University of Montana  
33       (ASUM) finds the AlcoholEdu program to be discriminatory because the mandates and  
34       academic penalties only apply to students under the age of 21.

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36       Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved that the Associated Students of the University of  
37       Montana (ASUM) asks that the Board of Regents re-evaluate their policy that only  
38       students younger than 21 are required to complete two online tutorials of AlcoholEdu.

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40       Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved that this resolution be sent to the following: the  
41       individual members of the Board of Regents; Clayton Christian, Commissioner of Higher  
42       Education; and Theresa Branch, Vice President for Student Affairs.

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44       Passed by Committee:  
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47 Passed by ASUM Senate: \_\_\_\_\_, 2014

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52 Ashlynn Andersen,  
Relations and Affairs Chair

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Sean McQuillan,  
Chair of the Senate