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1 **The Associated Students of the University of Montana**
2 **Resolution Amending Sustainability Board Bylaws**
3 **September 30th, 2016**
4 **SB24-16/17**

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8 Whereas, The Associated Students of the University of Montana (ASUM) is bound by its
9 Bylaws;

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11 Whereas, Sustainability Board is responsible for leading efforts on behalf of ASUM in pursuing
12 ambitious goals pertaining to sustainability and affecting change on campus;

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14 Whereas, Sustainability issues are diverse and widespread across various departments throughout
15 the University of Montana;

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17 Whereas, Sustainability issues are consistently a top priority amongst a passionate student body
18 and community at large;

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20 Whereas, At least half of the newly appointed senate requested to be placed on ASUM
21 Sustainability Board;

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23 Whereas, a large number of active and engaged members are needed to fully carry out the
24 responsibilities and goals of the Board in timely manner;

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26 Whereas, increasing the Board’s number of seats to include more Students-at-Large (SALs)
27 and/or ASUM Senators would empower ASUM to better engage with issues pertaining to
28 sustainability;

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30 Whereas, being a Student-At-Large (SAL) on ASUM requires a lot of time and effort without a
31 definite commitment;

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33 Whereas, designating additional board positions as either SAL/Senator seats would allow more
34 versatility for service and would make reaching quorum easier;

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36 Whereas, Article IV, Section 20, Subsection A of ASUM Bylaws currently reads:

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38 “A. The Board shall be composed of seven (7) voting members who shall be commended for
39 appointment by the ASUM Vice President, subject to a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Senate. Of
40 the seven (7) Board members appointed by ASUM, three (3) shall be members of the ASUM
41 Senate and four (4) shall be students-at-large, each serving a one-year term. The Director of the
42 ASUM Sustainability Center shall serve as an ex-officio, non-voting member of the Board. An
43 ASUM Senator shall chair the Board.”;

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45 Therefore, Let It Be Resolved, that Article IV, Section 20, Subsection A of ASUM Bylaws be
46 amended to read as follows:

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48 “A. The Board shall be composed of nine (9) voting members who shall be recommended for
49 appointment by the ASUM Vice President, subject to a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Senate. Of
50 the nine (9) Board members appointed by ASUM, three (3) shall be members of the ASUM
51 Senate, three (3) shall be student-at-large, each serving a one-year term, the remaining three (3)
52 members shall be either ASUM Senators or students-at-large with students-at-large receiving
53 priority, each serving a one-year term. The Director of the ASUM Sustainability Center shall
54 serve as an ex-officio, non-voting member of the Board. An ASUM Senator shall chair the
55 Board.”

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57 Passed by Committee: _____, 2016

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59 Passed by ASUM Senate: _____, 2016

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65 Kaden Harrison
Chair of Sustainability Board

Elizabeth Engebretson
Chair of the Senate