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1 **The Associated Students of The University of Montana**
2 **Resolution Regarding Support for Legislation Creating Greater Access to State Funds for**
3 **the University System**

4 **January 23, 2019**

5 **SB22 – 18/19**

6 **Authored By: Betsy Story, SPA Director;**

7 **Sponsored By: Abbigail Belcher, ASUM Senator;**

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9 Whereas, The Associated Students of the University of Montana (ASUM) represents the interests
10 of approximately 11,000 students;

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12 Whereas, ASUM advocates on behalf of the health, wellbeing, and success of the students of the
13 University of Montana;

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15 Whereas, ASUM established a set of legislative priorities prior to the 66th Montana legislative
16 session;

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18 Whereas, ASUM's first legislative priority reads:

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20 *Protect and increase state funding of the Montana University System*

- 21 • *Increase General Fund appropriations (HB 2) and through other avenues;*
22 • *Support the Governor's proposed tuition freeze funded by state appropriation to*
23 *The Montana University System to maintain student education affordability;*

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25 Whereas, Legislation creating greater access to state funds for the University System enables the
26 University of Montana to provide quality functions and services that a public university needs to
27 properly serve its students;

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29 Therefore, Let it Be Resolved, ASUM authorizes the ASUM President, ASUM Student Political
30 Action Director, and ASUM Lobbyist to advocate on behalf of the students of the University of
31 Montana in support of legislation that creates new opportunities or expands existing
32 opportunities for the University of Montana to access state funds in order to enhance UM
33 students' education experience, subject to the discretion of the Student Political Action
34 Committee;

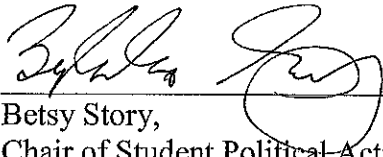
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36 Therefore, Let it Be Further Resolved, that in circumstances of extreme time constraint, the
37 ASUM Lobbyist shall first contact the ASUM President or ASUM SPA Director to achieve
38 clarity on any legislative questions that are not explicitly laid out in the Senate's legislative
39 priorities;

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41 Passed by Committee: January 22, 2019

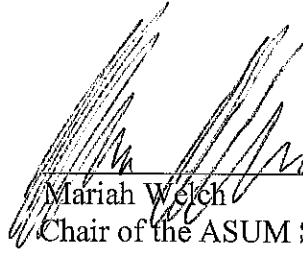
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Betsy Story,
Chair of Student Political Action Committee



Mariah Welch
Chair of the ASUM Senate