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1 **The Associated Students of the University of Montana**
2 **Resolution Endorsing the ASUM Fee Adjustments**
3 **March 11th, 2020**
4 **SB63A - 19/20**

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6 **Manager;**

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8 Whereas, During the February 19th senate meeting, the Associated Students of the University of
9 Montana (ASUM) passed two ballot referenda regarding the ASUM Student Activity Fee to
10 voters;

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12 Whereas, Senate Bill (SB) 58 put the question to voters on whether they support increasing the
13 fee from \$67 to \$70;

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15 Whereas, Due to a number of factors, ASUM experienced a deficit which resulted in a
16 substantial Zero-Base transfer prior to final budgeting;

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18 Whereas, Both fee initiatives are meant to ensure ASUM receives enough revenue;

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20 Whereas, Article VI, Section 3, Subsection N of the ASUM Bylaws allows the ASUM Senate to
21 campaign for the passage or defeat of a referendum regarding a student-driven fee;

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23 Whereas, ~~Endorsing the fee adjustment amid the outbreak of COVID-19 could enhance ASUM's~~
24 ability to reach the 12.5% voter turnout requirement necessary for the implementation of
25 Constitutional Amendments and Fee Referenda, both of which are on the ballot this year;

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27 Therefore, Let It Be Resolved, That the ASUM Senate endorse the \$3 increase to the ASUM
28 Student Activity Fee as proposed in SB 58;

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30 Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, That this resolution be sent to: Shane St. Onge, Chair of
31 the Elections Committee; Paul Lasiter; Vice President of Operations and Finance; Tyler Trevor,
32 Deputy Commissioner for Budget and Planning, Chief of Staff.

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35 Passed by Committee: _____, 2020

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37 Passed by ASUM Senate: March 25 _____, 2020

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43 Noah Durnell,
44 Chair of the Relations and Affairs Committee

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43 Ethan Hanley,
44 Chair of the Senate

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46 Resolution passes 19Y, 0N, 0A