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Whereas, The Associated Student of The University of Montana (ASUM) is the organization
entrusted with representing the student voice;

Whereas, the larger campus body is adequately represented by the diversity of the senate body;

Whereas, College of Technology and graduate students have a smaller representative body and
have traditionally found it difficult to be elected at-large;

Whereas, The College of Technology and Graduate students are historically under-represented
on the body of Senate;

Whereas, a reserved senate seat for both The College of Technology and any Graduate student
constituency would help to ensure the voices of under-represented students;

Therefore, Let It Be Resolved that the following language be submitted to the April 2012
elections:

“The Associated Students of The University of Montana (ASUM), having twenty senate seats
available to the student body, ASUM proposes reserving two of these seats for one representative
from The College of Technology and one representative for the Graduate student body, the
remaining to be voted upon at-large.

Do you support the protection of two senate seats for representatives from The College of
Technology and the Graduate student body?

Yes, I support the protection two senate seats for representatives from both The College of
Technology and the Graduate student body.

No, I do not support the protection two senate seats for representatives from both The College of
Technology and the Graduate student body.”

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Travis Suzuki, Relations and Affairs Chair

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