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The Associated Students of The University of Montana  
Resolution of Recognition  
March 21, 2012  
Senate Bill Number: SB44-11/12  

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Whereas, the Dean of Students, Charles Couture has faithfully and diligently served  
students in the Montana University System for the past 43 years,  

Whereas, his unique educational background has not only allowed Dean Couture to be an  
exceptional administrator, but a compassionate voice for students in all walks of life,  

Whereas, in 1991, Dean Couture was one of eight national recipients of the Outstanding  
Doctoral Dissertation Award from Phi Delta Kappa. In 1994, he received a Meritorious  
Service Award from the Montana Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions  
Officers for his presidential service to that organization. In 1999 The Associated  
Students of The University of Montana (ASUM) honored Dean Couture for his service to  
students, and the Tribal Council of the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes  
presented Dean Couture with a Certificate of Appreciation for his work at The University  
of Montana. He received the Barbara Hollman Administrator Award from ASUM in  
2005 and, in 2006, he received the University's J.B. Speer Award for Distinguished  
Administrative Service.  

Whereas, Dean Couture has demonstrated exceptional leadership as he has worked with  
disenfranchised student groups on ethnic and cultural initiatives, student judicial affairs,  
and drug and alcohol initiatives which have improved the campus culture for everyone at  
the University.  

Therefore, Let It Be Resolved on this day ASUM reasserts our confidence in Dean  
Couture’s outstanding ability to advise and council students in his role as the Dean of  
Students and as the ASUM advisor.  

Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved that ASUM thanks Dean Couture for his service to  
students. 

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Travis Suzuki, Relations and Affairs Chair  
Jeff Edmunds, Chair of the Senate