Support for the Creation of the Identity Inclusivity Task Force

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Vote Necessary: Majority

Intent: To express the Associated Students of Montana State University’s (ASMSU) support for the creation of a task force to explore and analyze the need for student identity inclusivity at Montana State University within departmental administrative processes.

Whereas, the creation of this task force will better allow for ASMSU, as well as the university as a whole, to assess its students’ needs for gender inclusivity in multi-departmental documentation and language; and,

Whereas, members of this task force would be responsible for reviewing documents and policies that request student gender and assessing the equality and representation of the scope of gender within the university’s student records; and,

Whereas, the assembly of participants would consist of representatives from Residence Life, Admissions, Montana Gender Alliance, Diversity Awareness Office, Dean of Students Office, Office of Institutional Equity, ASMSU Senate, ASMSU Staff, and students at large.

Therefore, let it be resolved that: ASMSU supports the formation of the Identity Inclusivity Task Force in order to carry out a systematic and formal inquiry to discover and examine areas of strengths and weaknesses of Montana State University’s gender inclusivity.

Let it be further resolved that: copies of this resolution be sent to Dr. Waded Cruzado, MSU President; Alanna Sherstad, Voice Center Coordinator; Ariel Donohue, Diversity Awareness Program Manager; Dr. Matt Caires, Dean of Students; Erin Murdock, ASMSU Exponent; Tammie Brown, Chief Housing Officer, Chancey Ringer, Director of Family and Graduate Housing; Rhonda Russell, Director of Admissions; Betsy Danforth, Director of the Women’s Center; Jim Mitchell, Director of Student Health; Erin Macdonald Peck, Director of Fraternity and Sorority Life, Dr. Chris Kearns, MSU Vice President for Student Success; Kate Grimes, Director of the Office of Institutional Equity; and Destini French, ASMSU President.