RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE

OF

THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY

Adopted 9 March 2017

Whereas, The Montana State University (MSU) Office of Admissions wishes to increase the incoming freshman student fee to $90 and the incoming transfer student fee to $75; and,

Whereas, These fees are only paid once by students when they first enter MSU as new students; and,

Whereas, The MSU Office of Admissions urgently needs more funds to cover the costs of orientation, MSU Fridays, and daily visits; and,

Whereas, The fee has not been increased since 1996 even though the new undergraduate fall enrollment has risen 51% since then; and,

Whereas, Five (5) dollars will be taken from each fee charge and will be given to the Office of Student Engagement to help cover the costs of MSU Debut; and,

Whereas, The increase mimics the incoming student fees at other institutions bordering Montana and in the northwestern region of the U.S.; and,

Whereas, If the fee is not approved, the additional funding required to provide new student programs will either need to come from MSU central funding or by cutting services such as complimentary parking to visitors, and visitor meals at Miller Dining Hall; now, therefore, be it,

Resolved, That the Associated Students of Montana State University support increasing the one-time fees charged to incoming students to $90 for new freshman students and $75 for new transfer students.

Bradley Jones – Senate Speaker