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Sponsors:  Mark Eggensperger  Yes 12 No 0 Abs 4  
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Vote Necessary:  Majority

Intent:  To express the support for the formal indexing of the Associated Students of Montana State University (ASMSU) Student Activity Fee to the Consumer Price Index (CPI),

Whereas:  The students of ASMSU voted in Spring 2005 to “index the Student Activity Fee to fund ASMSU programs for students”,

Whereas:  The ASMSU Student Activity Fee includes the ASMSU Activity Fee, ASMSU Intramural Fee, and ASMSU Bus Fee,

Whereas:  The ASMSU Senate passed Resolution 05-R-04 by a vote of 16-0 to put a ballot item on the Spring 2005 ballot requesting an increase in the ASMSU Student Activity Fee and that it be indexed in accordance with the Consumer Price Index (CPI),

Whereas:  ASMSU has calculated the CPI increases as documented in Addendum 1 and Addendum 2,

Whereas:  By approving ITEM 127-101-R0505 by a vote of 7-0 on May 20, 2005 the Montana University System (MUS) Board of Regents authorized the indexing of the ASMSU Activity Fee,

Whereas:  By approving ITEM 139-2009-R0508 the MUS Board of Regents voted 7-0 on May 30, 2008 to increase the ASMSU Intramural Fee and again affirm the indexing of the ASMSU Activity Fee,

Whereas:  The Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education has requested that Regents’ approval be sought to index all fees, rather than simply for each separate fee,

Whereas:  The students of ASMSU have repeatedly voted to index the ASMSU Activity Fees and these requests have been approved by the MUS Board of Regents in the past,

Therefore Let It Be Resolved:  That the Associated Students of Montana State University (ASMSU) request that the Montana University System Board of Regents approve indexing of the ASMSU Student Activity Fee per the Consumer Price Index,

Therefore Let It Be Further Resolved:  That a copy of this resolution serve as the basis for a Board of Regents’ Action item approving the indexing of all ASMSU Activity Fees.