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**The Associated Students of the University of Montana
Resolution Regarding KBGA College Radio**

March 30, 2016

SB47-15/16

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Whereas, the KBGA College Radio Fee is the largest source of income for the station, followed by advertisement underwriting, then phone-in pledges from an annual radiothon;

Whereas, the operating costs for KBGA are increasing due to equipment replacement and rental fees;

Whereas, KBGA needs to build its "backup account," used as an equipment reserve fund;

Whereas, the KBGA Radio Board has approved the proposed FY17 budget for KBGA and unanimously endorsed the proposed fee increases;

Whereas, KBGA College Radio is a valued and integral educational and cultural resource at the University of Montana which has been experiencing cuts to vital operational funds due to low student enrollment;

Therefore, Let It Be Resolved that the ASUM Senate will submit this proposal to a student referendum in April 2016, that shall read as follows:

KBGA College Radio is a student funded service which has been experiencing cuts to vital operational funds due to low student enrollment. It currently uses its student fee to provide the students of the University of Montana with fresh programming, educational resources, recording studios, live music, news, and culture.

KBGA proposes a \$1 dollar fee increase to maintain its current student staffing, equipment, operations, and high quality programming.

Do you support a \$1 increase to the radio fee for continued student services?

_____ Yes, I support a \$1 fee increase per semester from \$6 to \$7 for KBGA.

_____ No, I do not support a \$1 fee increase per semester from \$6 to \$7 for KBGA.

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44 Passed by ASUM Senate: _____, 2016

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Katie Hopingardner,
50 Relations and Affairs Chair

Betsy Story,
Chair of the Senate