

1 **The Associated Students of The University of Montana**
2 **Resolution Amending Elections Bylaws**
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10 Whereas, The Associated Students of The University of Montana (ASUM) Elections Bylaws
11 lack definitions for some terms used in the bylaws;

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13 Whereas, promoting a positive elections process requires clear definition of rules and
14 regulations;

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16 Whereas, lack of definition of terms such as “third-party” or “contribution in kind” has caused
17 problems in ASUM elections;

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19 Therefore, Let It Be Resolved, that in Article V, Elections, “Section 1: Definitions” will be
20 added and state:

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22 A. “individual” refers to a human being representing themselves in their legal name.
23 B. “contribution in kind” refers to:
24 1) An advance, gift, loan, conveyance, deposit, payment, or distribution of
25 money or anything of value to influence an election;
26 2) The payment by a person other than a candidate for the personal services of
27 another person that are rendered to a candidate.
28 C. “contribution in kind” does not refer to:
29 1) Services provided without compensation by individuals volunteering a portion
30 or all of their time on behalf of a candidate
31 D. “third party” refers to any person or entity who is not an ASUM member.
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33 Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, that all subsequent sections will be re-numbered upon the
34 adoption of “Section 1: Definitions.”
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