The Associated Students of the University of Montana

Resolution Prompting Diaper Changing Stations in Restrooms

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Whereas, The Associated Students of the University of Montana (ASUM) represent all University of Montana (UM) students, including those that are parents;

Whereas, Family-friendly is considered to be an entity, environment or service suitable for all members of an average family, especially young children;

Whereas, A majority of public entities, environments or services are not accommodated to be family-friendly;

Whereas, The University of Montana campus community has provided some family-friendly services to student families such as ASUM Child Care, the Family Weekend event, and the Center for Children, Families, and Workforce Development;

Whereas, Numerous students on the University of Montana Campus are parents or nontraditional students caring for dependents;

Whereas, Most bathrooms on the University of Montana campus do not possess diaper changing stations, which is highly inconvenient for parents and children alike;

Whereas, UM Facility Services has agreed to volunteer all labor for installation of diaper changing stations;

Whereas, Koala Baby Changing Stations range from $200-$300 each;

Therefore, Let It Be Resolved, That in order to make the UM campus a more diverse and inclusive campus, ASUM encourages the University of Montana to make efforts to better accommodate the needs of student-parents and families;

Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, That, in the event that funding is properly secured from sources outside the Student Activity Fee ASUM urges that these diaper changing stations be installed as soon as possible;

Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, That ASUM requests facilities services to provide diaper changing stations in all suitable future bathrooms and all bathrooms being renovated in the future;

Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, That ASUM requests Facility Services to install changing stations in all bathrooms that currently have the capacity to provide them campus;
Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, that this resolution be sent to Seth Bodnar, UM President; Rosi Keller, Interim UM Vice President of Administration and Finance; Rhondie Voorhees, UM Dean of Students; Cindy Williams, UM Foundation President/CEO; Kevin Krebsbach, UM Facilities Services Director; and Vicki Olson, ASUM Childcare Director.

Passed by Committee: _______________________, 2018

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