The Associated Students of the University of Montana
Resolution Regarding Street Lights on Campus
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Whereas, The Associated Students of the University of Montana (ASUM) strive to make campus a safe place;

Whereas, The University of Montana (UM) has had problems with physical and sexual assault in the past;

Whereas, Areas with sufficient street lights deter crime and injury;

Whereas, Not every place on campus is adequately lit at night, leading to a greater possibility of being injured by unseen dangers and a greater risk of physical or sexual assault;

Whereas, It is more difficult to safely cross a street or certain areas of campus because it is easy to slip, fall, and become injured on ice or unseen hazards in the dark;

Whereas, The most egregious examples of inadequate lighting are the side of the Lommasson Center that faces the parking lot between Duniway Hall and Miller Hall, as well as the crosswalks crossing Beckwith Street and Arthur Street;

Whereas, There are other lights using older, dimmer bulbs that do not provide enough light to see by at night on and around campus;

Whereas, Modern Light Emitting Diode (LED) lights are brighter and more energy efficient than their older fluorescent counterparts;

Whereas, The University District surrounding campus is also dimly lit at night and needs upgraded LED bulbs to provide better visibility for students walking to and from campus at late hours;

Therefore, Let It Be Resolved, That ASUM urges UM to add street lights to these dark areas of campus, to upgrade existing street lights that are no longer providing sufficient lighting to LED lights, and to work together with the City of Missoula to do the same to areas surrounding campus;

Therefore, Let It Further Be Resolved, That this resolution be sent to, Seth Bodnar, President of the University of Montana; Marty Ludemann, Chief of UM Police; Kevin Krebsbach, Director of Facilities Services; Heather Harp, City of Missoula City Council; and Gwen Jones, City of Missoula City Council.

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