Faculty Senate Resolution 460   **Introduced by**
                                                   Faculty Senate Executive Committee

Resolution in Support of the M.S. in Artificial Intelligence (AI)

WHEREAS, the Department of Electrical Engineering & Computer Science and the School of Computing have proposed the addition of a graduate M.S. in Artificial Intelligence (AI), as outlined in the accompanying proposal documents; and

WHEREAS, the Faculty Senate's Graduate Council (GC) has reviewed the proposal; and

WHEREAS, the GC voted to approve the proposed program contingent on the implementation of the following changes:
1. Clarifying the hybrid delivery mode for Plan A and Plan B, and provide additional language, possibly as part of the assessment/evaluation steps, to ensure students' competency in basic research methodology skills. The Council heard that the MS in QISE does not plan to offer a hybrid research/Plan A degree, but MS Plan A in AI may be delivered online.
2. Clarifying the research credits (5960) as it relates to Plan A and Plan B - thesis-based and coursework-only, respectively.
3. Include language emphasizing that while Ethics is offered as an elective, it threads through the entire core program; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Electrical Engineering & Computer Science subsequently addressed the GC's concerns in the accompanying proposal documents;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Faculty Senate of the University of Wyoming that it supports the recommendation of the GC to approve the graduate M.S. in Artificial Intelligence (AI), as outlined in the accompanying proposal documents.

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Secretary, Faculty Senate

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