

SENATE RESOLUTION #1970

Title: Support of Workers' Rights Consortium

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Sponsors: Senators Murphy and West

1. WHEREAS, a significant number of students have expressed concerns about
2. the use of sweatshop labor by manufacturers; and
3. WHEREAS, these students are concerned about the establishment of a
4. University of Wyoming policy regarding the use of sweatshop labor by
5. manufacturers licensed to produce items with the University of Wyoming's
6. name, logo, and trademark; and
7. WHEREAS, there has been a proposal to adopt a resolution to show support
8. for the University of Wyoming taking a clear position in opposition to the use
9. of sweatshop labor by said licensed manufacturers; and
10. WHEREAS, that clear position opposing sweatshop practices should include
11. the University of Wyoming adopting an anti-sweatshop code of conduct that
12. licensed manufacturers must adhere to and joining an organization to establish
13. a process for promoting enforcement of such an anti-sweatshop code of
14. conduct; and
15. WHEREAS, 66 colleges and universities have adopted the Workers' Rights
16. Consortium's code of conduct promoting workers' rights and prohibiting the
17. use of sweatshop labor; and
18. WHEREAS, 66 colleges and universities have joined the Workers' Rights

19. Consortium to verify compliance with codes of conduct promoting workers'
20. rights and opposing the use of sweatshop labor; and
21. WHEREAS, the University of Wyoming is already a member of the
22. Collegiate Licensing Company; and
23. WHEREAS, 57 colleges and universities have adopted the Collegiate
24. Licensing Company's Code of Conduct prohibiting sweatshop labor; and
25. WHEREAS, the foregoing actions would clearly show our opposition to the
26. use of sweatshop labor.
27. THEREFORE, be it resolved that the University of Wyoming adopt the
28. Collegiate Licensing Company's Code of Conduct as part of its licensing
29. policies; and
30. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that the University of Wyoming adopt
31. the Workers' Rights Consortium suggested Licensing Code of Conduct, in
32. addition to the Collegiate Licensing Code of Conduct, as a condition of its
33. licensing agreement with manufacturers authorized to produce items with the
34. University of Wyoming's name, logo, and trademark; and
35. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that the Associated Students of the
36. University of Wyoming (ASUW) advocate membership for the University of
37. Wyoming into the Workers' Rights Consortium; and
38. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that the University of Wyoming establish
39. a system of annual review of the effectiveness of the Workers' Rights
40. Consortium and its programs; and
41. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that the University of Wyoming establish

42. a system of review that includes an equal representation of members of the

43. administration, the students-at-large, and members of ASUW.

Referred to: Student Issues Committee (Committee of the Whole 1/30/01)

Date of Passage: March 30, 2001 **Signed:** Lisa R. Egner
Emergency Proceedings (ASUW Chairperson)

“Being enacted on February 1, 2001, I do hereby sign my name hereto and
approve this Senate action.” [Signature]

ASUW President