SENATE Resolution #2459

TITLE: ASUW Support for Laramie Original Ordinance No. 1914

DATE: April 1, 2015

AUTHORS: Executives Mitchell and West

SPONSORS: Senators Chenchar, De Wett, Maze, Nisley, Scherlin, and Wolfgang

1. WHEREAS, it is the purpose of the Student Government of the Associated Students of the
2. University of Wyoming (ASUW) to promote the general welfare of all students at the
3. University of Wyoming (UW); and,

4. WHEREAS, the ASUW Constitution states the ASUW Student Government “will not
5. discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, age, political belief,
6. veteran status, resident status, disability, national origin, relationship status or gender
7. identity;” and,

8. WHEREAS, UW Regulation 1-3 states “The University will provide all applicants for
9. admissions, employment, and all University employees with equal opportunity without
10. regard to race, gender, religion, color, national origin, disability, age, protected veteran
11. status, sexual orientation, gender identity, genetic information, creed, ancestry, political
12. belief, or any other applicable protected category or participation in any protected activity;”
13. and,

14. WHEREAS, current Federal and State of Wyoming law prohibit discrimination on the basis
15. of age, race, color, national origin, ancestry, religion, creed, sex, pregnancy, marital status,
16. familial status, veteran status, and disability; and,

17. WHEREAS, discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity is not
18. currently prohibited under Federal and State of Wyoming law; and,
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19. WHEREAS, Original Ordinance No. 1914 before the Laramie City Council seeks to add
20. sections within Chapter 9.32 of the Laramie Municipal Code to prohibit discrimination on the
21. basis of sexual orientation and gender identity; and,
22. WHEREAS, many UW students, staff, and faculty seek housing, employment, and public
23. accommodations throughout Laramie; and,
24. WHEREAS, UW has students, staff, and faculty who are members of the Lesbian, Gay,
25. Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) community.
26. THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Student Senate of the Associated Students of the
27. University of Wyoming (ASUW) that the ASUW believe discrimination on the basis of
28. sexual orientation and gender identity limits and interferes with the civil rights of not only
29. University of Wyoming (UW) students, staff, and faculty but of all Laramie residents; and,
30. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that the ASUW believe discrimination on the basis of
31. sexual orientation and gender identity is contrary to the health, safety, and welfare of not
32. only UW students, staff, and faculty but of all Laramie residents; and,
33. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that the ASUW supports the passage of Original
34. Ordinance No. 1914 by the Laramie City Council; and,
35. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that the ASUW urge the UW Administration and Board
36. of Trustees to support the passage of Original Ordinance No. 1914 by the Laramie City

Referred to: Student Outreach and Policy

Date of Passage: 04/14/15 Signed: [Signature]

“Being enacted on April 20, 2015, I do hereby sign my name hereto and
approve this Senate action.”

ASUW President