#### **SENATE RESOLUTION #2634**

TITLE: ASUW Support for the Pilot Hill Project

**DATE INTRODUCED:** October 16, 2018

**AUTHOR:** President Jones; Senators Hungerford and Leyshon

**SPONSORS:** Vice President Mulhall; Senators Brooks, Van Baalen, and Vetos

- 1. WHEREAS, the purpose of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming
- 2. (ASUW) is to serve our fellow students in the best manner possible through accurate
- 3. representation, professional interaction with campus programs and organizations, and
- 4. responsible, effective leadership; and,
- 5. WHEREAS, Albany County is aiming to preserve 5,472 acres under the Pilot Hill
- 6. Project; and,
- 7. WHEREAS, this preservation effort would open up many opportunities to benefit students,
- 8. faculty, staff, and the citizens of Laramie; and,
- 9. WHEREAS, this would allow for public access to Medicine Bow National Forest, thus
- 10. enabling expanded recreation, education, and research opportunities for the University; and,
- 11. WHEREAS, the preservation of the Casper Aquifer and its recharge zone is a priority for the
- 12. state of Wyoming and those who depend on it; and,
- 13. WHEREAS, cities and communities, such as Boise, Idaho, with similar unique outdoor
- 14. recreational opportunities have seen an increase in economic activity, as seen in Addendum
- 15. B; and,
- 16. WHEREAS, the initial purchase cost is \$10.5 million and additional funding will be needed
- 17. for future site management; and,
- 18. WHEREAS, over 550 investors within the community have collectively pledged

- 19. \$720,000; and,
- 20. WHEREAS, bringing awareness to the campaign will further the efforts of the Pilot
- 21. Hill Project; and,
- 22. WHEREAS, University of Wyoming students have expressed support for this project as seen
- 23. in Addendum A.
- 24. THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming
- 25. (ASUW) Student Government support the opportunities and sustainable practices the
- 26. purchase of Pilot Hill would provide to the University of Wyoming and the greater Laramie
- 27. community; and,
- 28. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that the ASUW Student Government supports
- 29. the purchase of land under the Pilot Hill Project.

Referred to: Advoc	eacy, Diversity,	and Policy; Student Outreach and Programming
Date of Passage:	10/23/18	Signed: Clefandus Hulhall (ASUW Chairperson)
"Being enacted on_	10/24/18	, I do hereby sign my name hereto and
approve this Senate	action."	ASIW President

### Addendum A

1. Are you a Student at the University of Wyoming?

		Response Total	Response Percent
Yes		603	100%
No		2	0%
Total	Respondents (For this Question)		605

2. Class Standing- Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior, Graduate Student

	Response Total	Response Percent
Freshman	108	18%
Sophomore	68	11%
Junior	86	14%
Senior	129	21%
Graduate Student	181	30%
Other	35	6%
Total Respondents (For this Question)	605	100%

3. Which college are you a part of?

	Response Total	Response Percent
Agriculture and Natural Resources	69	11%
Arts and Sciences	203	34%
Business	65	11%
Education	41	7%
Engineering	108	18%
Haub School of Environment and Natural Resources	28	5%
Health Sciences	70	12%
Law	18	3%
School of Energy Resources	3	0%
Total Respondents (For this Question)	605	100%

# 4. Are you a student in Laramie or through a UW Distance Campus?

		-	Response Percent
Laramie		586	97%
Online- not campus specific		10	2%
Distance Campus		9	1%
Total Respo	ondents (For this Question)	605	100%

### 5. I currently participate in the following outdoor activities:

	Response	-
	Total	Percent
Hiking	549	92%
Trail Running	186	31%
Biking	280	47%
Climbing	161	27%
Horseback Riding	69	12%
Cross-country skiing	151	25%
Snowshoeing	165	28%
Wildlife Viewing	271	45%
Hunting	147	25%
Picnicking	259	43%

Backpacking		311	52%
Educational activities		151	25%
Motorized use		93	16%
Other		37	6%
Total Respond	lents (For this Question)	598	

# 6. I like to participate in Outdoor Recreation events including:

		Response Total	Response Percent
Mountain bike races		104	17%
Cross country		101	17%
Foot races		127	21%
Equestrian events		64	11%
Other		48	8%
Total Respondents (For th	is Question)	598	

# 7. How often do you participate in these activities?

	Response Total	Response Percent
Very Often	89	15%
Often	109	18%
Moderately Often	183	31%
Not Often	114	19%
Almost Never	35	6%
Never	60	10%
Total Respondents (For this Question)	598	

8. With the development of Pilot Hill would you participate more in outdoor activities?

		Respons Total	Response Percent
Yes		531	91%
No		54	9%
Total Respond	ents (For this Question)		585

9. Would you participate in these activities after dark?

		Response Total	Response Percent
Yes		366	62%
No		220	38%
Total Respondents (Fo	this Question)		586

11. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement, "Opening the Pilot Hill Project area to the public would strengthen the economy and promote economic development in Albany County and the Greater Laramie Community?"

	Response	Response
	Total	Percent
Strongly Agree	247	43%
Agree	226	39%
Neutral	87	15%
Disagree	16	3%
Strongly Disagree	4	1%
Total Respondents (For this Question)	580	100%

12. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement, "As a University of Wyoming Student, the Opening of the Pilot Hill Project area to the public would enhance my college experience?"

	Response Total	Response Percent
Strongly Agree	272	47%
Agree	189	33%
Neutral	88	15%
Disagree	25	4%
Strongly Disagree	6	1%
Total Respondents (For this Question)	580	100%

# 13. Overall, where do you stand on the purchase of the Pilot Hill Project Area?

	Response Total	Response Percent
Strongly Support	309	53%
Support	177	31%
Indifferent	75	13%
Oppose	14	2%
Strongly Oppose	5	1%
Total Respondents (For this Question)	580	100%

Questions 10 and 14 were free responses and were not included in this report\*

#### Addendum B

