

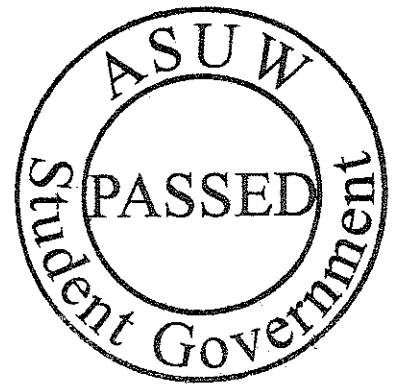
**SENATE RESOLUTION #2332**

**TITLE: ASUW Support for Library Enhancement Budget Request**

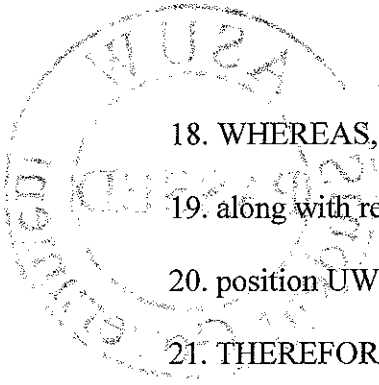
**DATE: November 2, 2011**

**AUTHORS: Senator West**

**SPONSORS: Senators Kahler, Krempels, and Wimbish**

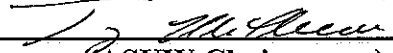



1. WHEREAS, stated in its strategic plan for the period 2009-2014, the University of Wyoming
2. (UW) aspires to be one of the nation's finest public land-grant universities; and,
3. WHEREAS, strong libraries are a critical component of a major research institution; and,
4. WHEREAS, UW's library resources are currently not competitive with comparator research
5. institutions of higher learning; and,
6. WHEREAS, access to a wide array of scholarly books, journals, and electronic resources are
7. key to advancing academic excellence, developing academic programs of national
8. distinction, and the advancement of knowledge through scholarship and competitively
9. funded research programs; and,
10. WHEREAS, the Greater Western Library Alliance (GWLA) is a consortium of 32 research
11. libraries located across 17 Midwestern and Western states with common interests in
12. programs related to scholarly communication, interlibrary loan, shared electronic resources,
13. cooperative collection development, digital libraries, staff development, and continuing
14. education; and,
15. WHEREAS, UW membership into GWLA will create a climate of emphases upon the
16. University's capacity to be a major research institution and one of the nation's finest public
17. land-grant universities; and,



18. WHEREAS, the request for \$1.8 million in recurring annual General Fund appropriations,
19. along with revenue generated by tuition increases, from the 2013-2014 Biennial Budget will
20. position UW to successfully pursue GWLA membership in 2014.
21. THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Student Senate of the Associated Students of the
22. University of Wyoming (ASUW) that the ASUW supports the \$3.6 million in General Fund
23. appropriations from the 2013-2014 Biennial Budget request by the University of Wyoming
24. (UW) Office of Academic Affairs for library enhancements in order for UW to successfully
25. pursue membership into the Greater Western Library Alliance (GWLA).

Referred to: Student Outreach and Policy Committee

Date of Passage: 11/15/11 Signed:   
(ASUW Chairperson)

“Being enacted on 11/28/11, I do hereby sign my name hereto and  
approve this Senate action.”   
ASUW President