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SENATE RESOLUTION #2449

TITLE:

ASUW Support for Wyoming State Legislature House Bill 005

DATE:

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AUTHORS: Senators De Wett & Messer

SPONSORS: Senators Cooley, Maze, Perez, Segrave, Server, & Yang; SAL's

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- 1. WHEREAS, it is the duty of the Student Senate of the Associated Students of the University
- 2. of Wyoming (ASUW) to act in the best interests of the student body in terms of safety and
- 3. well-being; and,
- 4. WHEREAS, under current Wyoming law, orders of protection are only issued for victims of
- 5. stalking and domestic violence; and,
- 6. WHEREAS, this does not apply to victims of sexual assault; and,
- 7. WHEREAS, there has been an increase in reported sexual assaults against University of
- 8. Wyoming students in recent years; and,
- 9. WHEREAS, victims of sexual assault may have an ongoing feeling that their safety has been
- 10. compromised; and,
- 11. WHEREAS, this creates an unwanted and unnecessary distraction to the victim's learning
- 12. environment; and,
- 13. WHEREAS, an order of protection would contribute to the victim's safety and allow the
- 14. victim to maintain a more normative learning environment.
- 15. THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Student Senate of the Associated Students of the
- 16. University of Wyoming (ASUW) that the ASUW fully support Wyoming State Legislature
- 17. House Bill 0017, which adds victims of sexual assault to the list of those eligible to petition

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- 18. for an order of protection; and,
- 19. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that the ASUW encourage the Wyoming State
- 20. Legislature to pass, and the Governor of the State of Wyoming to sign into law, House Bill
- 21. 0017; and,
- 22. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that the ASUW encourages the STOP Violence
- 23. Program to educate and assist victims of sexual assault to obtain an order of protection.

Referred to: Student Outreach and Policy
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"Being enacted on 63/04/2015 (ASUW Chairperson) (ASUW Chairperson) (ASUW Chairperson)
approve this Senate action."
ASUW President