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## **SENATE Resolution #2459**

TITLE:

ASUW Support for Laramie Original Ordinance No. 1914

DATE:

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**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
- 37. Council.

37. Council,	
Referred to:Student (	Outreach and Policy
Date of Passage: 04/14/16 "Being enacted on	Signed: Richard Conselly  (ASUW Chairperson)  I do hereby sign my name hereto and
approve this Senate action."	ASUW President