

SENATE RESOLUTION #2560



TITLE: ASUW Support for the Continuation of Sources of Strength

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SPONSORS: President Rotellini; Senators Beckett and Strock; Executives Nesbitt and Ott

1. WHEREAS, it is the duty of the Associated Students of the University of the Wyoming
2. (ASUW) Student Government to represent the interests and concerns of students; and,
3. WHEREAS, the University of Wyoming (UW) is dedicated to providing proactive and
4. responsive wellness services to students; and,
5. WHEREAS, the University Counseling Center (UCC) is devoted to providing a safe
6. environment for differences among all people; and,
7. WHEREAS, there have been concerns among UW students about mental health issues
8. and incidents of suicide over the past several years at UW; and,
9. WHEREAS, the UCC has a comprehensive suicide prevention initiative, titled "UW
10. Lifesaver Initiative", which provides Gatekeepers training to students, staff, and community
11. members that will help identify students at risk of suicide; and,
12. WHEREAS, the UCC, the UW Wellness Center, Alcohol Wellness Alternatives, Research,
13. & Education (AWARE), and the ASUW Student Government have invested into the Sources
14. of Strength national suicidal prevention program on the UW campus for the 2016-2017
15. academic year; and,
16. WHEREAS, the Mission of Sources of Strength "is to provide the highest quality
17. evidence-based prevention for suicide, violence, bullying and substance abuse by training,
18. supporting, and empowering both peer leaders and caring adults to impact their world
19. through the power of connection, hope, help and strength"; and,

20. WHEREAS, a Sources of Strength Adult Advisor came to UW over the summer of 2016 to
21. train and certify the UCC, AWARE, the Wellness Ambassadors, and ASUW representatives
22. as peer leaders; and,
23. WHEREAS, the ASUW Student Government has invested in purchasing wedges from the
24. Sources of Strength wheel which includes: mental health, family support, positive friends,
25. mentors, healthy activities, generosity, spirituality, and medical access; and,
26. WHEREAS, the ASUW Student Government has assigned the wedges to particular months
27. throughout the academic year for student leaders across campus to get involved with Sources
28. of Strength by spreading peer leader suicide prevention support; and,
29. WHEREAS, the ASUW Legislative Branch has used Sources of Strength outreach as a
30. requirement for social media outreach.
31. THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming
32. (ASUW) Student Government supports the continuation of Sources of Strength for future
33. years at the University of Wyoming (UW); and,
34. THEREFORE, be it further resolved the ASUW Student Government should continue its
35. working relationship with the UW Counseling Center, UW Wellness Center, and Alcohol
36. Wellness Alternatives, Research, & Education on Sources of Strength at UW; and,
37. THEREFORE, be it further resolved the ASUW Student Government should fund and
38. promote more peer leader trainings among ASUW Representatives and students across
39. campus.

Referred to: Programming

Date of Passage: 04/11/17 Signed: Tyler Wimmer
(ASUW Chairperson)

"Being enacted on 04/17/2017, I do hereby sign my name hereto and
approve this Senate action."

Nathan B. Smith
ASUW President