**SENATE RESOLUTION #2663**

**TITLE:** ASUW Recognition of the Service of University of Wyoming President Laurie Nichols

**DATE INTRODUCED:** April 9, 2019

**AUTHOR:** Senator Strock

**SPONSORS:** Senators Gruntmeir, Hoffman, Lane, Mueller, Pierson, and Welsh;President Mulhall;Vice President Wilkins; Executives Dia, Ditty-Suggs, Houghton, Schuster, Tay, and White; FYS Diamond, Diaz, O’Connor, Rubano, Walls, and Williams

1. WHEREAS, the purpose of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming
2. (ASUW) Student Government is to serve our fellow students in the best manner possible
3. through accurate representation, professional interaction with campus programs and
4. organizations, and responsible, effective leadership; and,
5. WHEREAS, Laurie Nichols has served as the 26th, and first female President of the
6. University of Wyoming (UW) since May 26, 2016; and,
7. WHEREAS, President Nichols started her tenure at UW during a time of financial difficulty
8. and uncertainty here at UW and across the State of Wyoming; and
9. WHERAS, President Nichols has successfully led UW through these difficulties and
10. uncertainties during her nearly three years as president; and,
11. WHEREAS, President Nichols has always valued and advocated student, faculty, and staff
12. voices in the shared governance process of UW; and,
13. WHEREAS, President Nichols has overseen and been responsible for several initiatives that
14. have positively impacted UW and campus life, including but not limited to: the No More
15. campaign, the University strategic plan process, and the hiring of UW’s first ever Chief
16. Diversity Officer; and,
17. WHEREAS, President Nichols has been an invaluable partner of the ASUW and has ensured
18. that student voices have been heard and respected on such issues as: programmatic fees,
19. UW’s response to sexual assault on campus through the No More campaign, and many more;
20. and,
21. WHEREAS, President Nichols has always strived to support students and student activities
22. and initiatives from athletics to fine arts and much more; and,
23. WHEREAS, the UW Board of Trustees has decided not to renew President Nichols’
24. contract after in expires in June 2019.
25. THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming
26. (ASUW) Student Government that the ASUW Student Government notes with immense
27. sadness the decision of the Board of Trustees; and,
28. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that the ASUW Student Government wholeheartedly
29. thanks President Laurie Nichols for her service and contributions during her tenure as
30. President of the University of Wyoming; and,
31. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that upon passage of this resolution, a copy be
32. presented to President Nichols.

**Referred to:** Steering\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Passage:** **Signed:**

**(ASUW Chairperson)**

**“Being enacted on** **, I do hereby sign my name hereto and**

**approve this Senate action.”**

**ASUW President**