ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

FIFTIETH SESSION

BILL NO. 50-19

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A RESOLUTION TO: Advocate against arson in the East Lansing and University community

THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY ENACT:

WHEREAS, The East Lansing Police Department reports a growth in the rate of arson in the East Lansing and University community over the last two years; and,

WHEREAS, Such activities have the potential for severe injury to both property and person; and,

WHEREAS, Any traditional or perceived association with such activities reflects poorly on the MSU community both academically and culturally; and,

WHEREAS, The vast majority of MSU students do not participate in illegal celebration and property damage in the course of being a Spartan; and,

WHEREAS, ASMSU has worked with the City of East Lansing to promote healthy citizenship in the community on the part of students; therefore be it,

RESOLVED, that the Associated Students of Michigan State University categorically reject the notion that “couch burning,” or any other form of destructive celebration, can be considered a tradition, norm, or activity associated with Michigan State and its students and be it further,

RESOLVED, that ASMSU condemns any such activity as being in direct contradiction with Spartan values and identity, and directs its leadership to pursue and support initiatives it deems productive in discouraging such behavior.
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