ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

FIFTY-THIRD SESSION

BILL NO. 53-34

INTRODUCED BY: Brown SECONDED BY: Rifiotis

A RESOLUTION TO: Support the Olin Proposal to create a mental health position in OISS

THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY ENACT:

WHEREAS, The significant increase in the number of international students at MSU and the related increase in mental health concerns within this population, have grown accordingly, and in response, the campus has been expanding its public health model with regard to the issue of student mental health; and,

WHEREAS, The MSU survey results from the National College Health Assessment (NCHA, 2014) indicate that international students are in greater distress than domestic students in a number of critical domains such as, depression, attempted suicide, and academic performance impacted by depression and homesickness; and,

WHEREAS, Delayed help-seeking and increased stigma contribute to increased acuity and risk level, as international students are more likely to wait until they are in a significant crisis before seeking mental health treatment; and,

WHEREAS, A new position, located within OISS, will increase their ability to respond to international students’ mental health needs through outreach, primary prevention services, consultation, and referral to clinical resources; therefore, be it,

RESOLVED, The Associated Students of Michigan State University (ASMSU) support the creation of a new position in OISS dedicated for outreach in the international student population with a focus on mental health issues.

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FINAL ACTION TAKEN X Voice-Majority Dec. 06.2016
PASSED FAILED VOTE DATE

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