

**ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY
GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIFTY-FOURTH SESSION**

BILL NO. 54-15

INTRODUCED BY: Zarzycki

SECONDED BY: Medlin

A RESOLUTION TO: Support government action on climate change at the local, state, and federal levels

THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY ENACT:

WHEREAS, the planet's surface has warmed approximately 2 degrees Fahrenheit since the late 19th century, and

WHEREAS, this warming trend is unprecedented, and coincides with increased fossil fuel consumption and anthropogenic greenhouse gas emissions¹, and

WHEREAS, communities across the United States and the globe feel the negative effects of a changing climate, not limited to rising sea levels, increased drought, frequent natural disasters, food shortages, ocean acidification, and glacial retreat, and

WHEREAS, the United States federal government no longer addresses climate change, having removed the topic from agency websites and having pledged to withdraw from the Paris Agreement under the United Nations Framework Convention of Climate Change², and

WHEREAS, the United States has historically been the biggest emitter of climate-altering carbon emissions and therefore bears much of the responsibility for mitigation³; therefore, be it

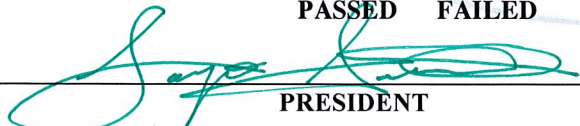

RESOLVED, that the Associated Students of Michigan State University (ASMSU) recognizes the threat of climate change caused by human activity, and the importance of legislation which supports clean energy infrastructure, reduces greenhouse gas emissions, and mitigates the effects of climate change at the local, national, and international level.

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 **PRESIDENT**  **VP/IA**

¹ "Climate Change Evidence: How Do We Know?" NASA, NASA, 10 Aug. 2017, climate.nasa.gov/evidence/.

² "Statement by President Trump on the Paris Climate Accord." The White House, 1 June 2017, www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2017/06/01/statement-president-trump-paris-climate-accord.

³ "CO2 Emissions (Metric Tons per Capita)." World Bank Open Data, The World Bank Group, data.worldbank.org/indicator/EN.ATM.CO2E.PC.