

**ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF  
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
SIXTY-FIRST SESSION**



**BILL NO. 61-92**

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**A BILL TO: Release a Statement to Condemn Antisemitism on University  
Campuses and Promote Education on Antisemitism**

**THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY ENACT:**

**WHEREAS,** Antisemitism is a persistent and growing issue on college campuses across the United States, including Michigan State University, manifesting in various forms such as harassment, discrimination, and harmful stereotypes that create an unwelcoming environment for Jewish students; and,

**WHEREAS,** Michigan State University is committed to fostering an inclusive and diverse campus community, where all students—regardless of religion, ethnicity, or background—feel safe, respected, and supported in their academic and social experiences; and,

**WHEREAS,** The Serling Institute at MSU defines antisemitism as rhetoric, discrimination, prejudice, hostility, and/or violence against Jews or Jewish Institutions. Antisemitism also includes the promotion of anti-Jewish conspiracy theories; the institute also highlights the definition of Zionism as: "Zionism," in its essence is the [political] belief, held by many Jews, that Jews as a people have the right to self determination<sup>1</sup>; and,

**WHEREAS,** The Serling Institute also describes how "It is legitimate to criticize particular Israeli policies, even vehemently, just as it is legitimate to criticize the policies of any government. Israelis criticize particular policies such as Jewish settlements in the West Bank, as do many Jews outside of Israel." Therefore, a distinction can be made between opposing zionism and anti-semitic rhetoric; and,

**WHEREAS,** Recent incidents of antisemitic rhetoric, and exclusionary behavior in the United States have highlighted the need for proactive measures to address and prevent

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<sup>1</sup> <https://jsp.msu.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/sites/56/2023/02/digital-2023-Guide-on-Antisemitism-for-MSU.pdf>

antisemitism at MSU, ensuring that Jewish students can participate fully and without fear in campus life; and,

**WHEREAS**, ASMSU, as the undergraduate student government, has a responsibility to condemn discrimination in all its forms and take tangible steps toward fostering an inclusive and equitable campus environment; therefore be it,

**RESOLVED**, ASMSU shall issue a statement in support of all Jewish students at Michigan State University and unequivocally condemn all acts of antisemitism on campus, reaffirming its commitment to fostering an inclusive and safe environment for all students; and let be it further,

**RESOLVED**, ASMSU shall work collaboratively with the Jewish Student Union, university administration, and campus partners to promote education, awareness, and proactive measures to combat antisemitism at Michigan State University; and let be it further,

**RESOLVED**, ASMSU shall advocate for the implementation of the definitions of antisemitism, and the distinction of criticism of government policies to be implemented into Office of Civil Rights guidelines and Anti-Discrimination Policy User Manual; and let it be further,

**RESOLVED**, ASMSU calls on Michigan State University and the IDI Office to include stronger education on antisemitism as part of its mandatory first-year DEI training to ensure all students understand and recognize antisemitism as a form of discrimination that must be addressed.

**INTRODUCED ON** 03.13.2025

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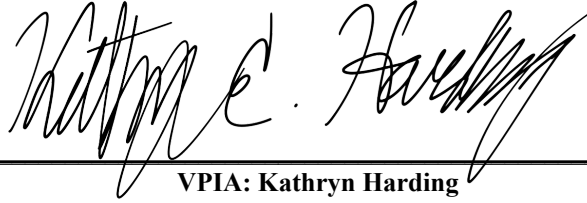
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