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Resolution 2 (2017)

A Resolution to Accept Recommended Changes to the Mental Health Initiative as Requested by Representative Keith Frederick

Whereas Representative Frederick suggests the addition of evidence-based outcomes assessment, the inclusion of campus environmental factors in identifying the scope of mental health issues on campus, and a role for the Department of Mental Health in moderating the needs reported by university counseling centers;

Whereas these recommended changes do not change the underlying purpose of the statutory proposal, but rather professionalize it;

Whereas Representative Frederick's expertise in this field provide his recommendations with legitimacy that should be taken seriously;

Whereas a rejection of these recommendations would certainly lead a rejection of essential bill sponsorship;

Whereas these measures achieve what the original language was intended to achieve; and

Whereas these recommendations include measures that will ensure that the original platform proposal cannot be abused and the impact better quantified; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Associated Students of the University of Missouri (ASUM):

1. Accept the recommendations of Representative Keith Frederick to add to the Mental Health Initiative's statutory proposal an evidence-based outcomes assessment, the inclusion of campus environmental factors in identifying the scope of mental health issues on campus, and a role for the Department of Mental Health in moderating the needs reported by university counseling centers.

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