Resolution # 0607-02

Resolution to Support the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design

WHEREAS, the students of the University of Missouri - Columbia support the advancement of environmental design on the campus;

WHEREAS, the University of Missouri seeks to meet the needs of the present and future by advocating energy efficiency, environmental protection, and sustainability;

WHEREAS, the United States Green Builders Council (USGBC) has implemented Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED), a system used to grade a building on its sustainability;

WHEREAS, studies have shown that the 1-2% premium incurred by LEED certification is made up for in savings through environmental design;

WHEREAS, a taskforce representing each University of Missouri campus found in the summer of 2006 that LEED buildings should not be required on the UM campuses despite the fact that they did not evaluate the energy cost savings over time;

THEREFORE, be it resolved, we, the students of the University of Missouri, do recommend and encourage the University System to meet new standards of environment design and sustainability by seeking LEED accreditation on all new buildings built by the University.

Respectfully Submitted,

University of Missouri
Intercampus Student Council