WHEREAS, the students of Western Washington University value and appreciate being contributive members of the Bellingham community; and,

WHEREAS, one of the Associated Students’ core values expressed in our guiding documents is Community and Social Engagement; and,

WHEREAS, Western Washington University students led the state’s largest university voter registration drive, registering 2,749 people to vote this season; and,

WHEREAS, Western Washington University graduates enter the Peace Corps at greater numbers than any other university of our size in the nation; and,

WHEREAS, Western has been selected to receive the national President’s Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll with Distinction award for three consecutive years; and,

WHEREAS, dozens of students independently volunteered to clean up the aftermath of the October 12th riot; and,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Students of Western Washington University condemn the violent and deplorable events that occurred on October 12th, 2013.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, the Students of Western Washington University thank the Bellingham Police Department for their continuing leadership as well as the Whatcom Sheriffs Department, Washington State Patrol, and Western Campus Police for their fair, calm, and organized response to the events of Saturday, October 12th.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, the AS Board of Directors and the Western student body, who are outraged at the lawless and destructive behavior that occurred on the night of October 12th, offer their most ardent and sincere apologies to the Bellingham community on behalf of any Western Washington University students who may have been involved.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, the students of Western Washington University re-affirm their commitment to being engaged and contributing members of the Bellingham Community.