STYROFOAM RESOLUTION

WHEREAS: Styrofoam cups are used extensively in the AS. Food Services; and

WHEREAS: Styrofoam takes up to 2,000,000 years to biodegrade; and

WHEREAS: Landfills are becoming scarce and very overcrowded; and

WHEREAS: Chlorofluorocarbon gas (CFC) is used in the production of styrofoam and is the same gas blamed for the depletion of the earth's protective ozone layer; and

WHEREAS: Newly developed substitutes for CFCs still cause some damage to the ozone layer; and

WHEREAS: The cost savings on styrofoam as opposed to waxed paper/other cups is slight; and

WHEREAS: The AS. is a not-for-profit corporation and should not promote the use of styrofoam cups on the basis of a slight cost savings.

THEREFORE: Be it resolved that the Government Affairs Committee recommends to the Wildcat Enterprises Committee that the AS. Food Service Operations permanently phase out the use of styrofoam cups and other styrofoam products by making no more purchases of styrofoam and by providing alternative cups to be used until the phase out is completed.

THEREFORE: Be it resolved that the Government Affairs Committee hereby requests a formal response to this resolution immediately following the April, 1989 Wildcat Enterprises Committee meeting.

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