

**R W2017.06**

**A Resolution In Support of the Standardization of Trash and Recycling Bins in LSA Classrooms**

*A bill for the consideration of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts Student Government*

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**Whereas**, the mission of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts Student Government (hereafter LSA SG) is to “actively seek the voices of LSA students and advocate their interests to improve academic and non-academic life”;<sup>1</sup> and,

**Whereas**, there is no standardization for either trash or recycling bins in LSA classrooms; and,

**Whereas**, according to Instructional Support Services, only 30 percent of LSA classrooms have both clearly marked trash and recycling bins, 40 percent have no recycling bin of any type, and the rest of the rooms have a mix of unmarked and marked cans, often leading to confusion of which to use;<sup>2</sup> and,

**Whereas**, in the 2015 Sustainability Progress Report, data showed that the amount of waste sent to landfills by the University was only 1.7 percent;<sup>3</sup> and,

**Whereas**, trash and recycling bin standardization in LSA classrooms reduces waste, thus reducing both the University of Michigan’s Waste Factor and Carbon Footprint.

**Be it therefore resolved**, LSA SG supports the standardization of trash and recycling bins in LSA classrooms with clear labels; and,

**Be it finally resolved**, LSA SG shall send a copy of this resolution and a signed letter of support, written by the sponsors of this resolution to Director of Instructional Support Services, Dr. Monika Dressler, Director of LSA Facilities, Robert Johnston, and Associate Vice President for Facilities and Operations, Hank Baier.

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<sup>1</sup>The Constitution of the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts Student Government. Article II

<sup>2</sup>Monika Dressler, Director of Instructional Support Services

<sup>3</sup><https://www.michigandaily.com/section/administration/u-m-sustainability-report-raises-questions-about-efficacy-environmental>