Resolution 3.36: Resolution Supporting the Renewal of the Green Fund

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Asserting that environmental sustainability is a priority for the Wesleyan University community; and

Further asserting that fulfilling Wesleyan’s commitment to environmental sustainability requires financial resources; and

Further asserting that issues of environmental sustainability should be considered and addressed by all educational institutions,

Highlighting the Wesleyan student body’s strong approval of the creation of the Green Fund by a margin of 879 to 84 votes in a campus-wide referendum in 2009,

Applauding Wesleyan’s institutional prioritization and commitment to sustainability,

Highlighting that the Green Fund has played a critical role in contributing to Wesleyan’s position at the front line of the sustainability movement in universities and colleges across America within the past five years,

Noting that since its inception, the Green Fund has funded numerous projects that have positively contributed to Wesleyan’s environmental sustainability,

Noting further that numerous Wesleyan groups, including Long Lane Farm and WILD Wes, depend on the funding and continued existence of the Green Fund to continue functioning as valuable organizations to the Wesleyan campus,

Therefore be it resolved, the Wesleyan Student Assembly (WSA),

1. Calls on the Wesleyan University Board of Trustees to approve a continuation of the Green Fund in its current form for an additional term of five years,
2. Resolves to remain actively seized of the matter.
BY A VOTE OF 23 TO 0 WITH 0 VOTES ABSTAINING ON THIS DAY NOVEMBER 9, 2014