RESOLUTION No. 2018-19-05

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REFERRED TO: AS BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ACTION SCHEDULED: November 26, 2018

SUBJECT: An Act to Support Ecosia on Library Computers

WHEREAS, The Associated Students (A.S.) Board of Directors of Humboldt State University (HSU) is the single recognized voice for over 7,500 students; and,

WHEREAS, The Mission of the Associated Students of Humboldt State University serves to "assist in the protection of rights and interests of the individual student and the student body," and to "stimulate the educational, social, physical, and cultural well-being of the University community"; and,

WHEREAS, It is the Vision of Humboldt State University to be the premier center for the interdisciplinary study of the environment and its natural resources; and,

WHEREAS, It is the Vision of Humboldt State University to be renowned for social and environmental responsibility and action; and,

WHEREAS, It is the Value of Humboldt State University to assist in developing the abilities of individuals to take initiative, and to collaborate in matters resulting in responsible action; and,

WHEREAS, It is the Value of Humboldt State University that individuals must be environmentally, economically and socially responsible in the quest for viable and sustainable communities; and,

WHEREAS, Associated Students supports these values and visions; and

WHEREAS, Ecosia, certified by B-Lab as a benefit corporation, is a web search engine based in Berlin, Germany, which donates 80% of its surplus income to non-profit organizations that focus on reforestation and conservationism; and

WHEREAS, Ecosia actively plants trees in 17 countries throughout Europe, North America, Central & South America, Africa, and Asia; and
WHEREAS, Ecosia runs on 100% Solar energy, neutralizing the CO₂ emissions associated with internet browsing; and

WHEREAS, Ecosia publishes monthly business reports and tree-planting receipts, describe their spending in detail; and

WHEREAS, Ecosia gave away shares to the Purpose Foundation, to assure that its founders can never take profits out of the company or receive dividends; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Associated Students fully support the use of Ecosia on Library computers; and,

RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be sent to, but not limited to Information Technology Consultant Dave Marshall, Library Dean Cyril Oberlander, CSU Chancellor White, President Lisa Rossbacher, and Assistant Librarian Brianne Hagen.

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