



### Notice of Motion Regarding the Safety Network Fee for the Fall 2015 Referendum

WHEREAS, the McGill Students' Emergency Response Team (M-SERT) is a volunteer operated SSMU Service that provides emergency first aid coverage to McGill residences, campus events, and the Montreal community;

WHEREAS, DriveSafe is a volunteer operated SSMU Service that provides a free safe ride home to any McGill student to or from any location on the island of Montreal;

WHEREAS, Walksafe is a volunteer operated SSMU Service that provides nighttime accompaniment for students unable or unwilling to travel alone at night;

WHEREAS, the Sexual Assault Centre of McGill Students' Society (SACOMSS) is a volunteer operated SSMU Service that provides support to survivors of sexual assault and their allies through resource provision, advocacy, outreach, and direct support;

WHEREAS, together, the McGill Students' Emergency Response Team, DriveSafe, Walksafe, and the Sexual Assault Centre of McGill Students' Society form the "Safety Network," a designation of SSMU Services;

WHEREAS, there currently exists a SACOMSS fee of \$0.75 (expiring at the end of Fall 2015) and an M-SERT fee of \$0.50 (no expiry date), which are both charged to students as part of the base fee;

WHEREAS, the SSMU also internally restricts \$0.25 for M-SERT, \$0.25 for DriveSafe, and \$0.05 for Walksafe from the SSMU base fee;

WHEREAS, a single fee for the Safety Network would reduce the administrative burden on the SSMU Vice-President (Finance & Operations), the Vice-President (Clubs & Services), and the SSMU Accounting Department, and would be more transparent to students than having the amounts being hidden within the base fee;

WHEREAS, the 2014-2015 budgets, the 2014-2015 actuals, and the proposed 2015-2016 budgets (accounting for fee increases) for Walksafe, DriveSafe, M-SERT, and SACOMSS are attached as Appendices A through D respectively;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the SSMU Legislative Council approve the following questions for the Fall 2015 Referendum:

1. "Do you agree to the creation of a new non-opt-outable \$2.97 fee called the "SSMU Safety Network Fee", to be charged to all undergraduate students who are Members of the SSMU starting in Winter 2016 and ending in Winter 2021 (inclusive), at which time it will be brought back to the membership for renewal, of which the following amounts will be internally restricted by the SSMU: \$0.60 for DriveSafe, \$0.75 for M-SERT, \$1.50 for SACOMSS, and \$0.12 for Walksafe?"



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2. "Do you agree that, if the Safety Network Fee is created, the SSMU base fee will be decreased by \$0.55 to eliminate the sections of the base fee previously restricted internally by SSMU to go toward DriveSafe, M-SERT, and Walksafe?"
3. "Do you agree that, if the Safety Network Fee is created, the current M-SERT fee of \$0.50 and SACOMSS fee of \$0.75 be eliminated with the implementation of the Safety Network Fee?"

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT the clauses contained herein be included with the question on the referendum ballot;

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT the appendices A through D be included on the ballot with the motion.

**Moved by:**

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FOR APPROVAL