

Students' Society of McGill University Submitted For: January 14, 2016 Association étudiante de l'Université McGillApproved On: January 14, 2016

## Office of the Speaker Bureau de Président du Conseil

## Motion Regarding Support for the "Sans oui, c'est non!" Campaign

WHEREAS, incidents related to sexual assault and sexual violence are an ongoing phenomenon not just at McGill, but at campuses across North America;

WHEREAS, cultural change regarding consent and sexual violence requires longstanding commitment through advocating for and building institutional change, and maintaining regular campaigns;

WHEREAS, the SSMU's Policy on Consent Education and Sexual Assault and Sexual Violence-Related Advocacy<sup>1</sup> commits "the SSMU [to] support initiatives and campaigns that seek to promote the creation of a culture of consent on campus, including through organizational collaboration and promotion";

WHEREAS, the Université de Montréal (UdM) and the federation des associations étudiantes du campus de l'Université de Montréal (FAÉCUM) have initiated a campaign entitled "Sans oui, c'est non! Sans consentment, c'est une aggression!" targeting sexual harassment and sexual violence in the university context<sup>2</sup>;

WHEREAS, formally joining this campaign would allow the SSMU to access campaign materials and resources that could be adapted to the McGill context,

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT the SSMU partner with FAÉCUM and other student unions to join the "Sans oui, c'est non! Sans consentment, c'est une aggression!"

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT the Office of the Vice-President (University Affairs) be responsible for liaising with the campaign.

Chloe Rourke, VP University Affairs,

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David Benrimoh, Senate Caucus Representative

 $<sup>^1</sup>$  http://ssmu.mcgill.ca/wp-content/uploads/2014/05/f.-Council-Motion-Policy-on-Consent-Education-and-Sexual-Assault-and-Sexual-Violence-Related-Policy-Advocacy-2015-04-09.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> http://sansouicestnon.umontreal.ca