Support for Mutual Aid Disaster Relief (MADR) Event

WHEREAS, UWM Student Association’s (SA) Mission is to “enrich the student experience at UWM, through representation, advocacy, and the funding of services and activities that improve student life;”

WHEREAS, the members of SA, both Senators and Exec team members alike, have identified a need to improve SA’s outreach into student communities and groups, the Greater Milwaukee Area’s communities, and the spaces in which these communities overlap;

WHEREAS, the nonprofit organization Mutual Aid Disaster Recovery (MADR) is a community-organizing group whose purpose is to connect otherwise disparate socially-conscious groups with one another, through rallying events as well as group training workshops;

WHEREAS, the MADR group has expressed interest in collaborating with SA on a community-building event, in which student organizations alongside larger community-scale organizations, will be welcomed to participate in foundational and essential training and networking opportunities;

AND WHEREAS, the SA programming budget has not been sufficiently utilized this fiscal year, and therefore has a surplus of available funding;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that SA shall cordially sponsor and host a two-day event to be put on by MADR, entitled respectively, “Protectors vs. Profiteers: An Illustrated Presentation about Disaster Capitalism and the Rising Resistance to It,” and “Giving Our Best; Ready for the Worst,” on April 17 & 18, 2018;

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; That SA shall allocate up to $3000 from its programming budget in support of this event, to be disbursed in accordance with the submitted budget, and at the discretion of the SA Treasurer; That SA shall actively encourage UWM supporting departments (e.g. Marketing, Reservations, Student Union, etc.) to assist and cooperate with the expeditious planning and manifestation of this event, and use its influence to request the same support from Administration;

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; That SA shall utilize this opportunity for networking into both the student community and the greater Milwaukee area community by publicly supporting and endorsing this event through all available promotional and social media;

THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED; That members of SA, concerned student organizations, the student body at large, and members of the Administration of UWM be invited and encouraged to participate in this community-building activity;

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