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A BILL

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BILL HISTORY

With the November 7 announcement by Earvin "Magic" Johnson that he had contracted the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), our Wardenburg HIV Testing service has been flooded with requests for the free testing. During the morning following his announcement Wardenburg filled the remaining openings for HIV testing for the entire semester requiring the establishment of a lengthy waiting list, both here and at the Health Department in North Boulder. Some 40 calls were received in a matter of 5 hours versus a usual average of 8 to 10 calls per day.

In order to guarantee the confidentiality of the testing it is important to keep this service to the community free of charge. Unfortunately, due to the increased volume as a result of the Johnson announcement original budgetary estimates will not be sufficient to cover the charges of this benefit.

According to the Center for Disease Control, currently 2 in 500 university students are infected with HIV (although this statistic is known to be highly underestimated). Within the next few years it is estimated that AIDS will be the number one killer of people in the United States, between the ages of 25 and 44. Right now, one person is infected every 30 seconds and one person dies of an AIDS-related illness every 12 minutes, worldwide.

It is crucial that we take rapid steps to ensure the safety of our community by continuing free HIV Testing, distribution of condoms and continued sexual health education. Education along with various preventative measures need to continue if we hope to bring this tragic epidemic to an end within our lifetimes.

As students and representatives of CU we can no longer sit back and allow AIDS to spread because of ignorance, fear and lack of adequate testing opportunities.

Without a doubt AIDS is a killer,  
it does not care whether you are young or old,  
it does not care whether you are 'straight' or 'gay',  
it does not care what color you are,  
it does not care how rich or poor you are,  
it does not care what your religion is,  
it does not care what gender you are,  
it does not care about your physical ability,  
if you have an immune system - HIV CAN COMPROMISE IT!

Please help us to do our part to stop the spread of AIDS NOW!

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**BILL SUMMARY**

This bill allocates \$2,000.00 + GAR from Central Reserve account #1391120 in order to continue to service the Boulder community by funding free HIV testing at the Wardenburg Student Health Center.

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**BE IT ENACTED by the Legislative Council of the University of Colorado Student Union, THAT:**

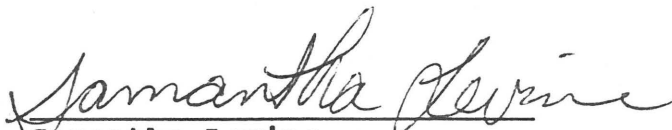
Section 1. This bill allocates \$2,000.00 + GAR from Central Reserve account #1391120 for the continued funding of HIV testing.

Section 2. UCSU and the Wardenburg AIDS Task Force, in conjunction with Boulder County Health Department, will use these funds to continue HIV testing at Wardenburg for the CU-Boulder community.

Section 3. This bill will take effect upon passage.

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**11/14/91 - Passes as amended - Legislative Council - Special Order  
- Acclamation**



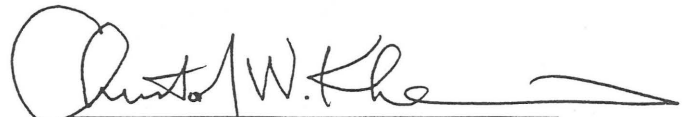
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