

October 7, 1993

39 Representative Council Bill #9

University of Colorado  
Student Union

Sponsored by: Representative-at-Large

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A BILL

BILL HISTORY

The Residence Hall Representative Council was established in 1979 following the Vietnam war under the name of Dormitory Representative Council (DRC). In the Spring of 1989, DRC officially changed its name to the Residence Hall Representative Council (RHRC) in order to concur with the national trend to move away from the incorrect notation that dormitories are only a place to sleep and eat. By adopting the residence hall philosophy, the University of Colorado's Department of Housing has changed the student living environment into a place to learn and grow. RHRC has facilitated this process by giving the residents a voice in student government. Yearly, RHRC's budget is brought for approval to the Hall Director and post approval is assumed into the Department of Housing's budget. Living in a residence hall at CU is much the same as any city or town; it is a community. Within the residence hall system there are extra computer labs, many programs such as athletic tournaments, concerts, free academic support services (tutoring, writing and math labs), and many other benefits. To utilize the efforts of RHRC, we are subdivided into committees; Programming, Academic Support, Recycling, Dining Services, Public Relations, Energy and Facilities, Student Action Team, and have a representative on Student Conduct Board.

Specifically, RHRC has stood for three basic purposes: 1. To represent the resident's views to the housing administration concerning policies and regulations; 2. To coordinate campus-wide events for the entertainment of residence hall students and the continuous improvement of residence hall living through community building; 3. To gather and provide information to and from the residents in order to create awareness of critical issues.

October is Sexual Abuse Awareness Month and in order to meet our goals RHRC has planned many events for this month. On October 20, 1993 in Kittredge Commons East Dining Room, 6:30 p.m., will be the keynote speaker, Marilyn Van Derbur - "A Story of Hope". Anyone who has survived sexual assault will find inspiration along the path to healing, and anyone who has not personally dealt with sexual assault will begin to relate and become aware. Ms. Van Derbur is a powerful speaker, is a CU alum, is a former Miss America, had been sexually assaulted by her millionaire father for 13 years, established the Survivor United Network out of Denver, and has dedicated her life to stop the sexual violation of children, and helping men and women on their road to recovery.

**BILL SUMMARY**

This bill allocates an amount not to exceed \$500.00 + GAR from Representative Council account #1391121 to fund keynote speaker Marilyn Van Derbur - "A Story of Hope" on October 20, 1993 in Kittredge Commons East Dining Room, 6:30 p.m. for Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

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

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**SECTION 2:** A written report and editorials shall be submitted pursuant to 36LCB#20.

**SECTION 3:** This bill takes effect upon passage.

**BUDGET**

Speaker-Marilyn Van Derbur \$2,000.00


RHRC Contribution

UCSU Contribution \$ 500.00

10/7/93-Passes-Representative Council-1st Reading-Acclamation  
10/14/93-Passes-Representative Council-2nd Reading-Acclamation

  
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