Fellow Students,

My name is Ethan Foley, and I am seeking your vote for a Senatorial position on UVM’s Student Government Association. I am currently a First Year Political Science and Sociology student in the College of Arts and Sciences, and have been involved in the Student Government Association for the past two semesters. In addition to SGA, I am involved in the Theatre department, the Dewey House for Community Engagement, and the ISSP (Integrated Social Sciences Program.) I love coffee, good music, the outdoors, biking, and spending time with my amazing parents and two little sisters. Most importantly for this election, I have a passion for helping people, which is my primary reason for seeking office. My approach to leadership includes setting direction, motivating the people around me, and working to organize policy to empower the student body. If re-elected, I will work as hard as I can to make the quality of student life an utmost priority, and continue to make strides toward helping UVM become a national leader in environmental consciousness.

Since my appointment to SGA this past fall, I have been fortunate to serve on the Committee on the Environment, where we have worked to address numerous environmental and student life concerns. These include Carbon Neutral SGA, a project our committee is currently spearheading which has the goal of neutralizing all carbon emissions from UVM’s 180+ clubs and organizations by the year 2020. In addition, I am currently working on a project of my own to ramp up the food donation programs in place at UVM with the help of UVM Dining’s Sustainability office. As a representative of the student body, I have also voiced the concerns and viewpoints of my peers regarding environmental issues here on campus and offered a strong stance advocating for the earth, holding the administration accountable for their actions.

If re-elected, I will work to continue the great progress we have made this year, and make even bigger strides next year. I have goals to ensure the presence of recycling bins in every dorm room on campus, more convenience and access to compost bins and bags, the expansion of UVM Dining’s food donation programs, carbon neutrality, and divestment from fossil fuels. As these are only some of my goals, and each are too long and detailed to fully explain here, please feel free to reach out to me at e Foley@uvm.edu with any questions you may have. Being a Senator on SGA is a commitment which I do not take lightly, and I hope you will hold myself and my SGA peers accountable, as we are representatives of the student body and your connection to the administration. If you ever have any concerns or wishes you would like me to address, please just reach out, I’d be more than happy to give you a hand and a voice.

Respectfully,

Ethan Foley