STATE OF MONTANA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 16-2019

EXECUTIVE ORDER CONTINUING THE MONTANA HISTORICAL RECORDS ADVISORY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, federal law and implementing regulations [36 C.F.R. § 1206.41, adopted pursuant to 44 U.S.C. § 2104(a) and 44 U.S.C. § 2501-2506] require the Governor of each state desiring to participate in the National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC) activities to establish an Historical Records Advisory Council; and

WHEREAS, the State of Montana has demonstrated an interest in the care of historical records.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STEVE BULLOCK, Governor of the State of Montana, pursuant to the authority vested in me under the Constitution and laws of the State of Montana, § 2-15-122, MCA, do hereby continue the Montana Historical Records Advisory Council, as follows:

PURPOSE

The Council shall serve as the central advisory body in the State of Montana for the care, storage, and disposition of historical records, and members may review and evaluate grant proposals prepared by any person or entity in the State of Montana made to the National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC), an Office of the National Archives and Records Administration. The Council is authorized to receive funds pursuant to state and federal law.

COMPOSITION

The Council shall consist of at least seven members, appointed by the Governor, a majority of whom shall have recognizable experience in the administration of records, manuscripts or archives. The Council shall be broadly representative of the public and private archives, records, offices and research institutions and organizations in the state. The State Archivist shall be a member and serve as the Chair of the Council. The appointees serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

ADMINISTRATION

The Council shall be attached to the Montana Historical Society for administrative purposes.

COMPENSATION

The Council members shall be compensated and reimbursed for travel expenses pursuant to § 2-15-122(5), MCA.

DURATION

This Order is effective retroactively to October 1, 2019. The Council shall expire by October 1, 2021, unless otherwise ordered by subsequent Executive Order.

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GIVEN under my hand and the GREAT SEAL of the State of Montana this _____ day of ____, 2019.

STEVE BULLOCK, Governor

ATTEST: