

State of Montana  
Office of the Governor

Executive Order 18-2007

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**EXECUTIVE ORDER CONTINUING  
THE MONTANA HISTORICAL RECORDS ADVISORY COUNCIL**

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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 Program 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, Brian Schweitzer, Governor of the State of Montana, pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Constitutions and laws of the State of Montana, do hereby continue the Montana Historical Records Advisory Council.

I. **PURPOSE**

Pursuant to federal law and implementing regulations, the Council shall serve as the central advisory body in the State of Montana for the care, storage, and disposition of historical records, and shall 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.

II. **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 Board shall be broadly representative of the public and private archives, records offices, and research institutions and organizations in the state. The State Historical Records Coordinator shall be one of the members and shall Chair the Council. The names and addresses of members shall be submitted by separate letter to the Montana Historical Society and the Secretary of State.

III. **ADMINISTRATION**

The Council shall be attached to the Montana Historical Society for Administrative Purposes.

IV. **COMPENSATION**

All members shall be reimbursed for travel expenses pursuant to § 2-15-122(5), MCA. Compensation of members is at the discretion of the Department head, in accordance with § 2-15-122(5), MCA and federal suggested practices.

V. **DURATION**

The Council shall exist for a period of two years from the effective date of this order unless otherwise ordered by subsequent Executive Order.

This Order is effective immediately.

GIVEN under my hand and the GREAT SEAL of the State of Montana this  
29 day of August, 2007.

  
BRIAN SCHWEITZER, Governor

ATTEST:

  
BRAD JOHNSON, Secretary of State *deputy*