

No. 3172

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN
THE MONTANA MUNICIPAL INSURANCE AUTHORITY
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING THE
EXECUTION OF
THE MEMORANDUM OF INTENT TO PARTICIPATE IN SUCH
PROGRAM
AND SUCH OTHER DOCUMENTS AS MAY BE NECESSARY
TO EFFECTUATE PARTICIPATION IN SUCH EMPLOYEE BENEFITS
PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the MONTANA MUNICIPAL INSURANCE AUTHORITY (MMIA) has undertaken steps to create and organize a group self-insurance hospitalization, medical, health, including long-term disability, accident or group life insurance Employee Benefits Program ("Employee Benefits Program") for the benefit of the Members of the MMIA and their respective public officials, employees, retirees and their families and dependents who are eligible for participation in such Employee Benefits Program; and,

WHEREAS, the undersigned city or town which is a member of the MMIA has previously expressed an interest in participating in such Employee Benefits Program; and

WHEREAS, Mont. Code Ann. § 2-18-702, authorizes cities and towns to enter into group hospitalization, medical, health, including long-term disability, accident or group life insurance contracts or plans for the benefit of their officers and employees and their dependents; and,

WHEREAS, Mont. Code Ann. § 2-18-711, permits the establishment of group programs by local government entities to provide employee group benefits; and,

WHEREAS, the undersigned city or town has determined that it is in the best interest of the city or town, its employees, [retirees] and their dependents to participate in the Employee Benefits Program established by the MMIA;

NOW THEREFORE the undersigned city and town, acting through its [city council] does hereby resolve to take the following acts:

1. That the undersigned city or town does hereby authorize its participation in the Employee Benefits Program for a period of sixty (60) consecutive months from the date of implementation of the Employee Benefits Program as provided in the Memorandum of Intent to Participate in the MMIA Employee Benefits Program, a true copy of which Memorandum is attached as Exhibit 1 to this Resolution;

2. That the [Mayor/City Manager] is hereby authorized to execute the Memorandum of Intent to Participate in the MMIA Employee Benefits Program;
3. That the [Mayor/City Manager] is hereby authorized to execute such other agreements as may be necessary to effectuate the intent of the undersigned city or town to participate in the Employee Benefits Program; and,
4. That the [Mayor/City Manager/Clerk/Treasure] is hereby authorized to pay the first three (3) months of premiums due under the Employee Benefits Program in advance of the commencement of the Employee Benefits Program.

RESOLVED this 11th day of January, 2005.

Richard C. Gassler Mayor
Chair, City Council of Red Lodge

Attest:

D. St. Dominic
City Clerk