ITEM 144-2009-R0909 Authorization to Renew the Lease of the Joseph M. Hartmann

Memorial Ranch to Fred Itcaina; Montana State University

THAT: The Board of Regents of the Montana University System authorizes

> Montana State University-Bozeman to renew a lease of the property known as the Joseph M. Hartmann Memorial Ranch to Fred Itcaina for a

period of five years for agricultural (primarily grazing) purposes.

**EXPLANATION:** MSU proposes to renew the lease which has been in effect since the

> 1970's as a result of a bequest. The lease continues Fred Itcaina's use of the Joseph M. Hartmann Memorial Ranch for an additional five year period. The leased ranch will continue to be used by Mr. Itcaina for

grazing and other incidental agricultural purposes.

The annual lease amount is proposed to be continued at the current rate of \$14,581. This amount has been determined by MSU and OCHE to

represent a fair value for this lease.

**ATTACHMENT** Lease Agreement