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**ITEM 171-1503-R0516**

**Request for Authorization to Confer the Title of Professor Emeritus of Industrial Hygiene – Montana Tech of the University of Montana**

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**THAT**

Upon her retirement from the Department of Safety, Health and Industrial Hygiene at Montana Tech of the University of Montana, the faculty wishes to express its appreciation to Dr. Sally Bardsley for her 23 years of dedicated service by recommending that the rank of Professor Emeritus be conferred on her by the Board of Regents of the Montana University System.

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**EXPLANATION**

Dr. Bardsley received her B.S. in Occupational Safety and Health from Montana Tech in 1992 and entered the SHIH (then OSH) Department MS Industrial Hygiene Program, from which she graduated in 1994. During graduate school, she was hired as the SHIH Department laboratory director and adjunct instructor and taught sampling labs and OSH courses. In 2001, she was promoted to tenure-track Assistant Professor. She began her doctoral program at the University of Montana in 2002 and received her Ed.D. in 2010. She received tenure and was promoted to Associate Professor in 2011. She has been a Certified Industrial Hygienist (CIH)—the premier industrial hygiene certification--since 2003.

Throughout her service to Montana Tech, Dr. Bardsley has been active in research pertaining to respirator wear and physical activity and has two peer-reviewed publications in this area. During her 2007-2008 sabbatical, she conducted research with three Industrial Hygiene graduate students on the physiological and cognitive effects of respirator wear during intense activity. This research resulted in three successful MS thesis projects and in Bardsley's doctoral dissertation, "Evaluation of Transient Cognitive Changes from Maximal Exertion and Respirator Wear." She has served on and/or chaired many IH thesis committees.

Bardsley has taught classes in all areas of the SHIH Department—applied health, occupational safety and health, industrial hygiene. She now teaches a variety of on-campus and online undergraduate and graduate courses in OSH and IH. Bardsley's consulting includes teaching Hazwoper courses at Montana Tech and MSU as well as courses on various Montana Indian reservations through the Mine Waste Technology Program. She has also consulted in the wood products industry for Plum Creek and Stoltz Lumber.

Dr. Bardsley served as Safety, Health, and Industrial Hygiene Department chair 2012-2014 during which she successfully spearheaded the effort to elevate the OSH-AHS degree from an option to a dedicated BS degree in Applied Health and Safety Sciences. She was Montana Tech's Wellness Coordinator from 2000-2002 and serves on several campus committees, having chaired the IIC, the Safety Committee, and the Wellness Committee.

For these and other contribution, the Board of Regents of Higher Education is pleased to confer upon Sally Bardsley the rank of Professor Emeritus of Industrial Hygiene at Montana Tech of the University of Montana and wishes her well for many years in the future.

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**ATTACHMENTS**

None.