

March 5-6, 2020

ITEM 187-1018-R0320

Request to Award Honorary Doctorate to William S. Yellow Robe, Jr. – University of Montana

THAT

The University of Montana requests authorization from the Montana Board of Regents to award an honorary doctorate to William S. Yellow Robe, Jr.

EXPLANATION

Currently an adjunct faculty member at the University of Maine, William S. Yellow Robe, Jr. cultivated his writing and performing arts skills as a student at the University of Montana. A skilled teacher and playwright and the recipient of numerous awards, Yellow Robe's creative works have brought the American Indian perspective and experience to many new audiences. His mentorship of young American Indian students and playwrights positively impacts the increased prominence of American Indian theater in the United States. A member of the Fort Peck Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes, the Fort Peck Tribal Executive Board passed a unanimous resolution supporting Yellow Robe's candidacy to receive an honorary doctorate from the University of Montana.

ATTACHMENTS

None