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Request for Authorization to Expend \$975,000 of General Spending Authority to Renovate Montana Hall Suite 216; Montana State University

THAT

Consistent with BOR Policy 1003.7 Authorization for Building Projects, the Board of Regents authorizes Montana State University to expend up to \$975,000 of MUS General Spending Authority, authorized in House Bill 5 of the 67th Legislature, to renovate Suite 216 in Montana Hall.

EXPLANATION

- 1. Being over 125 years old, Montana Hall is both an iconic facility and in need of continual improvement to modernize its operations.
- 2. Reorganization of the existing space will facilitate an improved customer service experience for students, faculty, staff, and university constituents visiting the office. A strategic renovation will also provide a safer and more productive workspace for staff.
- 3. The renovation work will improve life-safety needs in the space and address security challenges.
- 4. The renovation will address deficiencies in existing heating, ventilation, and air-conditioning systems to make the space more tenable for staff and visitors.
- 5. The renovation will facilitate improved historic preservation, highlighting original features of Suite 216 and the historic architecture of Montana Hall.
- 6. This work will be paid for using physical plant funds.
- 7. No new space will be created with this request.
- 8. No new or additional state funds will be requested for operations and maintenance of the existing facility as a result of this project.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment #1: Physical Plant 1003.7