ITEM 202-2010-R0922

<u>Request for Authorization to Renew an Off-Campus Lease for Space on Behalf of MilTech; Montana</u> <u>State University</u>

THAT

Consistent with the Board of Regents' authority to manage and control the Montana University System and Board of Regents Policy 1003.6, § III, the Board of Regents of the Montana University System authorizes Montana State University to renew an off-campus lease for space to accommodate required university research and development functions.

EXPLANATION

- 1. MSU-MilTech provides critical support and research to the Department of Defense (primarily the US Army and Marine Corps), as well as the Department of Homeland Security. MilTech currently has a staff position in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, who requires a shop facility to successfully house the equipment and materials to perform his work.
- 2. MSU-MilTech has leased this space for the past two years; the initial lease term expires 10/31/2022.
- 3. MSU-MilTech wishes to extend the lease term for an additional two years with an expiration date of 10/31/2024.
- 4. The annual cost of the current lease is \$27,192 (\$17/sf). The annual cost of the new lease will be \$32,000 (\$20/sf).
- 5. This increase is supported by fair market value indications in the Fort Lauderdale region.
- 6. BOR Policy 1003.6, III, B, requires Regent approval for leases that exceed five (5) years in duration or for which total lease payments will exceed \$25,000 per year. Therefore, no lease renewal has been executed.

ATTACHMENTS None