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Executive Order No. 6-99

EXECUTIVE ORDER ESTABLISHING
THE MONTANA Y2K READINESS COUNCIL

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WHEREAS, the new millennium will begin soon, bringing new challenges and opportunities; and

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WHEREAS, the long established practice of designing computer systems using only the last two digits to represent the year in computer date fields could result in the improper functioning of computer systems. These computer malfunctions could result in disruptions in the delivery of goods and services our citizens have come to depend upon. This issue is commonly referred to as the Year 2000 problem ("Y2K"); and

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WHEREAS, organizations both public and private have been working diligently to resolve the Y2K problem; and

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WHEREAS, public and private cooperation and information sharing are essential to the eventual success in preventing disruptions to the populace; and

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WHEREAS, an informed citizenry is necessary to prevent counterproductive or inappropriate actions by some.

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NOW THEREFORE, I, MARC RACICOT, Governor of the State of

1 Montana, by virtue of the authority vested in me under the
2 Constitution and laws of the State of Montana, do hereby create
3 the Montana Y2K Readiness Council ("the Council").
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5 1. PURPOSE

6 The Council shall:

- 7 1) promote public understanding of the Y2K issue;
- 8 2) encourage cooperation and facilitate information
9 sharing;
- 10 3) gather detailed, relevant information from key sectors
11 of the economy; and
- 12 4) advise the Governor on Y2K related issues.

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14 II. COMPOSITION

15 The Council shall consist of representatives of the public
16 and private sectors who are keenly involved in the Y2K issue.
17 The Council shall be appointed by the Governor, and the
18 membership shall not exceed 20 members. The names and addresses
19 of the members of the Council, who shall serve at the pleasure
20 of the Governor, will be submitted by separate letter to the
21 Secretary of State. The Council shall be chaired by the
22 Lieutenant Governor.
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24 III. ADMINISTERING AGENCY

25 The Council shall be attached to the Department of
26 Administration for administrative purposes.
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1 IV. DURATION

2 The Council shall remain in existence until June 30, 2000,
3 unless extended by subsequent executive order. This Order shall
4 be effective immediately.

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8 GIVEN under my hand and the GREAT
9 SEAL of the State of Montana,
10 this 23rd day of June, 1999.

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13 MARC RACICOT, Governor

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17 MIKE COONEY, Secretary of State