

Senate JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 13

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2 INTRODUCED BY *Bill Cole* *James Harmons*
3 *Ernie Casper* *Ernst Fred Museum* *McIntosh* *John Foster*

4 A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF
5 MONTANA SUPPORTING THE EFFORTS OF THE GOVERNOR TO DEVELOP A PROPOSAL THAT INCLUDES
6 FEDERAL PROPERTIES WITHIN MONTANA THAT CAN BE PRESENTED TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT
7 AS A SOLUTION TO THE LAND EXCHANGE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CROWN BUTTE AGREEMENT.

8 *M. Taylor* *Stating*
9 WHEREAS, the United States of America, Crown Butte Resources, Inc., and Crown Butte Mines,
10 Greater Yellowstone Coalition, Northwest Wyoming Resource Council, Sierra Club, Gallatin Wildlife
11 Association, Wyoming Wildlife Federation, Montana Wildlife Federation, Wyoming Outdoor Council, and
12 Beartooth Alliance entered into an agreement August 12, 1996; and

13 WHEREAS, the negotiation of this agreement did not include the State of Montana or individual
14 Montana private property owners as parties; and

15 WHEREAS, Montana is willing to assist the federal government in finding suitable federal assets
16 within the state that can be exchanged in whole or in part for assets owned by Crown Butte Resources,
17 Inc., as required by the agreement; and

18 WHEREAS, Montana is willing to develop a process that will meet the performance requirements
19 of the agreement and avoid future litigation regarding the assets exchanged; and

20 WHEREAS, Montanans jealously guard their constitutional rights to know and to participate through
21 public involvement, and Montana is willing to develop a process that will meet the performance
22 requirements of the agreement and avoid future litigation regarding the assets exchanged; and

23 WHEREAS, land with environmental, historic, or recreational value should be protected for the
24 public's enjoyment; and

25 WHEREAS, Montana has a responsibility to stimulate economic prosperity for the citizens of the
26 state.

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28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
29 STATE OF MONTANA:

30 That the Legislature supports the efforts of the Governor to find federal properties within the state



1 that can be exchanged with Crown Butte Resources, Inc., in order to satisfy the requirements of the
2 agreement and at the same time provide public information concerning ongoing negotiations, protection for
3 sensitive lands, and economic opportunity for Montanans.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution will be sent by the Secretary of State to
5 the Montana Congressional Delegation, the President of the United States, and Crown Butte Resources,
6 Inc.

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Bill Cole Thomas Harrison
Michael Bradford Garfield Maclean McMillan *Bill Foster*

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8 AS A SOLUTION TO THE LAND EXCHANGE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CROWN BUTTE AGREEMENT AND
9 REQUESTING FEDERAL COMPENSATION FOR THE LOSS OF TAX REVENUE THAT WOULD HAVE
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1 WHEREAS, AS A RESULT OF THIS AGREEMENT, STATE AND LOCAL JURISDICTIONS IN
2 MONTANA WILL BE DEPRIVED OF SIGNIFICANT LEVELS OF TAX REVENUE THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN
3 RECEIVED IF THE PROJECT WERE DEVELOPED.

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5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
6 STATE OF MONTANA:

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14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT SHOULD COMPENSATE STATE
15 AND LOCAL JURISDICTIONS IN MONTANA FOR THE LOSS OF TAX REVENUE THAT THESE
16 JURISDICTIONS WOULD HAVE RECEIVED IF THE CROWN BUTTE PROJECT WERE DEVELOPED.

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