

Senate JOINT RESOLUTION NO. *15 Estrada*

INTRODUCED BY *Keating, Tuberville, Wilson, Lynch, Eick*
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A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF
MONTANA COMMEMORATING AND CELEBRATING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF CHET BLAYLOCK TO
MONTANA AND AUTHORIZING THE PERMANENT PLACEMENT OF A MEMORIAL ON A WALL OUTSIDE
THE SENATE CHAMBER.

M. Taylor BENEDICT *Bauer* *McLean* *Bishop*

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