RESOLUTION 2017 - 23

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING A MAIL BALLOT ELECTION FOR THE 2017 FEDERAL SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL THE OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE FOR MONTANA, CONTINGENT UPON PASSAGE OF SB305

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY, MONTANA, as follows:

WHEREAS, Governor Bullock of the State of Montana has called for a Federal Special Election to be held on May 25, 2017 to fill a vacancy in the Office of the United States Representative for Montana; and

WHEREAS, the Montana State Legislature is considering SB 305, An Act Generally Providing How the Special Election to Fill the 2017 Vacancy in the Office of the United States Representative for Montana May be Conducted; and Providing for an Immediate Effective Date; and

WHEREAS, passage of SB 305 would allow the May 25, 2017 Federal Special Election to be conducted by mail ballot; and

WHEREAS, §13-19-202, MCA allows a governing body to request that the election administrator conduct an election by use of mail ballots by passing a resolution no later than 70 days before election day; and

WHEREAS, it appears that a mail ballot election will be economically and administratively feasible to conduct;

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby resolved as follows:

1. The Board of County Commissioners of Lewis and Clark County, Montana, hereby requests that if SB 305, An Act Generally Providing How the Special Election to Fill the 2017 Vacancy in the Office of the United States Representative for Montana May be Conducted; and Providing for an Immediate Effective Date, is approved and adopted, the Lewis and Clark County Clerk and Recorder, as election administrator for Lewis and Clark County, conduct the May 25, 2017 Federal Special Election to Fill the Office of the United States Representative for Montana by mail ballot.

DATED this 16 day of March , 2017.

LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Susan Good Geise, Chair

Paulette DeHart, Clerk of the Board

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