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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 32

A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA COMMEMORATING THE LONG AND DISTINGUISHED SERVICE OF REPRESENTATIVE FRANCIS BARDANOUE TO THE STATE OF MONTANA.

WHEREAS, the Dean of the Montana House of Representatives, Francis Bardanouve, has served continuously in the Montana House of Representatives since 1959; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the Legislative Council from 1965 through his chairmanship in 1972, Francis Bardanouve helped to shape the legislative institution; and

WHEREAS, as Chairman of the Appropriations Committee in 1965, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1977, 1979, 1983, 1985, 1989, and 1991, Francis Bardanouve touched the lives of all Montanans; and

WHEREAS, a sense of fairness, the willingness to listen, and the ability to make informed decisions have marked the career of Francis Bardanouve; and

WHEREAS, a genuine concern for the State of Montana and its people have been the guiding influence throughout his long and distinguished career; and

WHEREAS, Francis Bardanouve has always faced the legislative challenge with energy, wisdom, keen wit, and a dedication to the common good; and

WHEREAS, Francis Bardanouve has never sought personal distinction or reward, but has had his leadership role cast upon him; and

WHEREAS, Francis Bardanouve, a strong believer in equality, fairness, and integrity, is a true role model for the youth of Montana; and

WHEREAS, the strong hands of Francis Bardanouve have played a major role in shaping the destiny of Montana, a destiny in which all Montanans share equally.

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

That Francis Bardanouve be acknowledged as one of the Treasure State's living treasures and that he be fittingly honored and revered for his long and dedicated service to the people and the State of Montana.

Adopted April 21, 1993.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 33

A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA REQUESTING AN INTERIM STUDY OF 24-HOUR HEALTH CARE COVERAGE AND OTHER ALTERNA-

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Mr. Nick Morrison
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Dear Mr. Morrison:

I have a letter written several years ago by Nick Morrison of 946, 6th St N.W. Possibly you are another Nick but you have the same name and seem to live in the same general area of Great Falls.

The letter written by a state employee was one of the kindest letters I ever received. Even though I spoke against the bill that you supported you paid me compliments that kind of overwhelmed me. It made it all seem worthwhile.

Often times I had to oppose bills I basically agreed with - but I was always obligated to keep in mind the bottom line of the state



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budget. It seemed I spent my years trying to make certain that we would not have a budget shortfall or known as a deficit. A couple of times we failed and had a bad shortfall. Now ever when we left all the figures we had available showed a balance, however recessions, sharp drop in natural resources prices such as the oil crash, and agricultural prices dried up revenues. A few times, especially in the 1st half of the 1970's our revenues caused a big surplus.

You write so well you must be a well educated person. I guess I never wrote you expressing my appreciation. I kind of kept it to real once in a while, I guess to kind of build up my ego. As I retired this year after serving 36 years, for the 1st time I had time to write a few long overdue letters.

Since I announced my retirement I have received so many kind expressions that my head has enlarged so that I doubt I will ever be able to buy a hat large enough to fit. Again, if you are the right Nick, I express my deepest appreciation.

Sincerely,
Francis

Senate Bill 69

E-mails and letters in support

Fagg, Russell to me
show details 1:24 PM (2 hours ago)

Good afternoon Dave:

Lt. Gov. Bohlinger called me wondering if I could support your bill honoring Francis Bardanouve, by naming the east wing of the first floor of the capital after him. I am happy to do so.

I served with Francis for two terms. He was a fiscally conservative Democrat, a gentleman in every sense of the word, a man of his word, and a man of great humility and integrity. He was respected and liked by both D's and R's.

Montana is a better place due to his service

One quick story: One time I proposed a bill to increase the tax on video gaming. Somehow it got out of committee. On the House floor it failed 4-95. Francis was one of the four. After the vote, I asked him why he had stuck with his vote when he knew it was going to fail miserably. He said:

"Because we should raise taxes on video gambling—it was the right thing to do."

That sums up a wonderful man.

Hope this passes,

Russell C. Fagg

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, Michael to me
show details 2:31 PM (48 minutes ago)

Dear Sen. Wanzenried,

Thank you for contacting me regarding SB 69 - your bill to honor Rep. Francis Bardanouve. I feel fortunate to have served in the legislature with several giants of the institution, and Rep. Bardanouve was one of the foremost of all. He was practically an institution unto himself as the unchallenged master of the state budget. Despite his

legislative power and wide-ranging influence in the halls of the Capitol, Rep. Bardanouve conducted himself as a genuinely nice, humble person who would go out of his way to show kindness to fellow legislators, regardless of which side of the aisle they served or how long they had been there. For instance, I still keep a personal note he wrote to me after a Floor debate on a particular bill.

Regarding SB 69, I don't know if this is the best way to honor Rep. Bardanouve, but it is certainly a good way and I like the idea of the legislature taking special measures to honor noteworthy members of the past. As one of potentially many examples, SB 69 mentions Rep. Bardanouve's leadership in establishing the modern Legislative Council of today, and as I recall, former House Speaker Bob Marks was also instrumental in shaping the Legislative Council.

So, I support SB 69 and applaud you, Sen. Wanzenried, for taking the time to recognize one of the giants in the history of the Montana Legislature. Thank you.

Mike Foster

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Fred Thomas to me
show details 5:48 PM (1 minute ago)

Senator Wanzenried,

It is a pleasure to write encouraging the passage of SB 69, legislation to Name the First Floor of the Capital Building after Rep Francis Bardanouve! What a great idea!

Here is the Gentleman legislator that every legislator should have gotten the chance to serve with. So shrewd, so intelligent, such a great political mind and yet so humble!

He really was dedicated, dedicated beyond all.

The guys like Thoft, Swysgood and Zook on approps can tell you a lot more stories than I can about Francis, you know Beaver-Bow and all, but in the end they loved him, respected him and would have done anything for him as he would have them.

I am so pleased to write encouraging your support for this bill!

Fred

Fred Thomas
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John Cobb & Cheryl Lux & Cobb Charolais to me
show details 10:42 PM (9 hours ago)

SB 69 in front of Senate State Administration

Dear Senator:

I served with Rep. Bardanouve starting in 1985. With term limits it is hard to understand the power of the insight and the forcefulness people like he had by being in the legislature so long and how much he accomplished. . It was not just his history and knowledge of the legislature and government that made him important. He knew how Government worked, how the programs worked, how to build coalitions to get things done. He knew when to draw a line in the sand and when to raise his voice the few times he had to make his point clear. It took years of work and practice to make him such a good legislator in getting things done.

He represented the Legislature first. He sued or threatened (I can not remember for sure) to sue a Governor (Democrat) for trying to spend money without legislative authority. He voted to save the Fiscal Analyst Office when his own party and the Governor (who was Democrat) wanted it dissolved since it would not agree with certain budget numbers of the Governor.

Montana with close to over 1000 patients at Warm Springs, to over 1000 patients at Boulder, Rep. Bardanouve went down there himself to look out for them and began the process to de-institutionalize so many of these people.

He believed in tight budgets, but he had to work with both political parties, 150 legislators and thousands of Montanans as committee chairs must do, to find some common ground on spending. Look at the Chairs for Chairman of Appropriations. They have to have personalities to get along with appropriation members, their own party, the Governor and hundreds of other people and still make decisions that no one likes. People want to feel they had a fair shake with the Chair and that the Chair listened. I think Rep. Bardanouve tried to do that to the best of his ability.

At times I feel he felt there was too much spending, and at other times to little in certain areas but he had to make decisions and force others to make decisions to compromise and

he had to say No. He also had to force budget decisions that took into account long term implications.

One time a legislator found 4 million dollars (probably equivalent to 12 million today) to fund all waiting lists on the disability programs. Bardanouve thanked him and then took it all away. It was one time money and Bardanouve never wanted one time money for on going programs. He and Rep. Thoft and Rep. Swysgood used it elsewhere for one time projects across the state.

People could say he caused all this growth in government. He did not, the majorities of the Legislature representing their people and the Governors created this for good or for worse. But Rep. Bardanouve gave us the tools and controls for each legislature to make better decisions for their people and to make Government Accountable.

He was tight fisted and a conservative FDR Democrat. His vehicle outside the chambers was always an old vehicle that he had to tinker to get to work. He always knew where the cheapest motel room to stay in. He told my wife one time he did not know there was no heat in the room until it got way below freezing one night since he was there enough to notice except to sleep.

The Montana Legislature is an experiment. Can a Citizen legislature govern effectively? Can a Citizen Legislature hold government accountable? Can a Citizen legislature of 150 part time workers make decisions that will in the end be good for the people of Montana? Those questions are for each new Legislature to decide. As to paraphrase someone: can we make the best decisions – for when you assemble a number of people to have the advantage of their joint wisdom you inevitably assemble with those people, all their prejudices, their passions, their errors of opinion, their local interests and their selfish views. From such an assembly can a perfect production be expected? No. But we all try to do the best we can and so did Rep. Bardanouve. No one likes voting for HB2, no one. But he had to assemble time and time again votes to pass that bill regardless of which party controlled the legislature.

If you get a chance, look who is on Long Range Planning. Usually they have on the committee the oldest serving members of appropriations and mostly conservative from both parties who try to do what is right for the entire state. People want a fair shake and Rep. Bardanouve gave a fair shake.

One can always say- well what about that other Legislator- he should also be recognized also. We have had many great Chairs of Appropriations, many great Chairs of other Committees. This bill should in no way take away from those people who have served so well. But this is the bill before you and now you must make a decision. Naming the first floor of the East Wing of the Capitol building in honor of a man who overcame great obstacles to become such a great person, who served actively in the legislature for so many years and made such a large impact on this state and the Legislature itself through the budget process, is an honor that we should perform.

Sincerely;

John Cobb
Former Montana legislator

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Remembrance of Francis Bardanouve from Senator Aubyn Curtiss, Fortine

I was fortunate to serve in the House of Representatives with Francis and I recall one 18 hour session of the House when he was so exhausted he actually went to sleep while resting on the steps leading up to the Speaker's podium. He was devoted to assuring that Montana lived within her means and I well remember one occasion when a budgetary emergency had been triggered. In frustration, as a freshman legislator, I moved that each department's budget be decreased by 5%. Francis thoughtfully spoke to the motion by explaining that some of the agencies could well get along with that much less, but those who were most frugal and operated most responsibly would be penalized.

Regardless of how heated the debate, Francis Bardanouve was always a gentleman and a role model for those whose responsibilities are to craft a balanced budget for our state.

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January 13, 2011

Senate State Administration Committee
State Capitol
Helena, Montana

Honorable Members of the Committee,

I am pleased to support Senator Wanzenried's SB 69, a tribute to Rep. Francis Bardanouve. I would guess that few (if any) could think of a person more deserving of this small tribute.

I served two sessions in the Senate while Francis was still in the House. Although he was tough and a little liberal for my taste on some issues, he was a pillar, a pillar of modesty, a pillar of concern and determination for the good of Montana as he saw it, and a pillar of working hard, very hard, to that end. And all that continuously in a very long and distinguished legislative career.

What more can Montanans ask of their representatives? Maybe a sense of humor? That trait he also possessed and it should have been included in one of the Whereas's.

I am proud to have known him, and to have served with him. His legacy is deserving of this tribute, and this remembrance.

I hope you'll support SB 69.

Sincerely,



Lorents Grosfield

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A Capitol idea: SB69 a worthy tribute to a great legislator

While opportunities for disagreement will abound in the next 81 days of the 2011

Montana Legislature, a hearing Friday features a bill that everyone can support.



Bardanouve

It is Senate Bill 69, whose purpose is straightforward — name the first floor of the Capitol's east wing for arguably the greatest legislator in the 121-year history of the state of Montana: Francis Bardanouve.

The law change itself is a single-line addition to the section of the Montana Code that authorizes specific commemorative plaques and statues in and around the

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But the bill, requested by the Capitol Complex Advisory Council and sponsored by Sen. Dave Wanzendorf of Missoula, also includes a lengthy list of "whereas" statements outlining the life and career of Montana's most influential and second-longest-serving legislator.

As nice as they are, "whereases" can't do justice to the conscientious, hard-working, honest and humble man who anchored the Legislature for the better part of four decades.

The passage of time is such that many present-day lawmakers — and administration officials — may not be fully aware of the bipartisan

role Bardanouve played in the evolution of the modern Legislature and in the year-to-year operation of the state.

Obviously before term limits began their eight-year purge of whatever expertise and seasoning our citizen-legislature can earn, Bardanouve's tenure ran 36 years from his first election in 1958 until his retirement at the end of 1994 — or 18 terms representing his House district in the Harlem area, where he farmed and ranched for his entire life.

For 10 of those terms, he chaired the powerful Appropriations Committee, and he did it with civility and respect for his colleagues. He was the driving force behind creation of

the legislative staff structure that provides independent — as opposed to special interest — expertise to the lawmakers during their brief time in the Capitol.

His legislative interests ranged widely, but education, the environment and the institutions, including mental health, were high on his list of priorities.

Bardanouve was ahead of his time as a fiscal conservative and social progressive. Colleagues might have disagreed with him, but they never doubted his integrity. And despite his earthy humility — to our knowledge he never aspired politically to anything but representing his Harlem neighbors — they learned never to overlook him.



Hearing set

What: SB69 which would name the first floor east wing of the Capitol Building after longtime Harlem legislator Francis Bardanouve.
When: 3 p.m. Friday in Room 335 of the Capitol.
Who: Senate State Administration Committee.

On the occasion of Bardanouve's death in 2002, colleagues from both sides of the aisle were eager to praise him. "He treated everyone with the utmost respect," said state Sen. Dave Lewis, R-Helena, who

met Bardanouve while working on the governor's budget staff in 1973. "No one ever accused him of acting in any other way than in the best interests of the public. He was so highly principled."

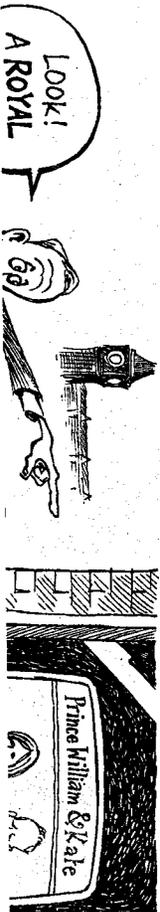
We can think of no Montana legislator more deserving of the honor of having a part of the seat of Montana government named for him.

Contacted this week in Havre about the legislation, his widow, Venus, provided a vintage Bardanouve reaction to the honoring legislation: "After noting how special it would be for his large extended family and friends, she added with a nod to legislative reality: 'If it goes, it's supposed to; if it doesn't go, it isn't supposed to.' We hope it goes."

Royal wedding trumps budget cuts

By KEVIN HERRIGAN

On the assumption that some version of Great Britain's fiscal austerity program eventually will show up in the United States, I have been studying up



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