

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 53

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A RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF MIKE DENNISON, A MONTANA NEWSPERSON.

WHEREAS, the Montana Senate recognizes and values the role of a free press in a free society; and
WHEREAS, senators appreciate journalists who stick to the facts, report events as they happen without injecting their personal opinions, and track down the objective truth on the most important stories; and

WHEREAS, senators acknowledge the years of work necessary for a reporter to build trust both with sources and the public; and

WHEREAS, journalist Mike Dennison spent decades living up to the ideals all reporters should aspire to; and

WHEREAS, Mike Dennison earned a reputation of mutual respect and trust from elected officials, politicians, business people, his peers in journalism, the downtrodden, and the public at large; and

WHEREAS, people from all political parties knew they could count on Mike Dennison to report the facts, get to the truth, and be fair and objective in his news coverage; and

WHEREAS, Mike Dennison recently retired after a successful career informing Montanans on the most important topics facing our state.

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

That the Senate of the Regular Session of the 68th Legislature of the State of Montana:

- (1) thanks Mike Dennison for his service to the people of Montana;
- (2) congratulates him on and wishes him the very best in his retirement; and
- (3) encourages Montana's reporters to follow his example of excellent journalism in the Last Best

Place.

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