

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

3 That the 68th Legislature of the State of Montana:

4 (1) urges the United States Congress to support full funding of public safety and law enforcement
5 agencies, programs, services, and activities within Montana's reservations;

6 (2) urges the United States Department of Justice to develop a plan to cooperatively administer its
7 Indian Country public safety, law enforcement, and administration of justice programs and services together
8 with the United States Department of the Interior;

9 (3) urges the United States Department of Justice to conduct government-to-government
10 consultation with Indian tribes to determine how best to provide the administration of programs and services
11 and to allocate appropriated funds to meet the various needs of tribal justice systems, including funding for
12 tribal law enforcement, courts, detention facilities, indigent counsel, victim services, juvenile justice,
13 rehabilitation and reentry programs, and crime prevention efforts;

14 (4) invites each of the tribal governments of the federally recognized Indian tribes in Montana to
15 adopt their own resolutions to the United State House of Representatives and the United States Senate urging
16 Congress to fully fund law enforcement and public safety programs and services on Montana's reservations and
17 further invites the tribal governments to send their resolutions to the Secretary of State by June 30, 2023, to be
18 collected and forwarded as a package to Congress;

19 (5) requests Governor Gianforte to write a letter to the United States House of Representatives
20 and the United States Senate providing similar support for Congress to fully fund Montana reservations' law
21 enforcement and public safety programs and services and further requests the Governor to provide the letter to
22 the Secretary of State by June 30, 2023, to be included with the package of resolutions for Congress.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State send a copy of this resolution to the tribal
24 governments of each of the federally recognized Indian tribes in Montana on receipt of this resolution.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State collect the tribal resolutions and letter from
26 the Governor by June 30, 2023, and, as soon as possible after that date, send those communications along
27 with a copy of this resolution as a single package to the Speaker of the United States House of
28 Representatives, to the Majority and Minority Leaders of the United States House of Representatives and the

1 United States Senate, to each member of the Montana Congressional Delegation, and to the tribal
2 governments of each of the federally recognized Indian tribes in Montana.

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