

**RESOLUTION 06-18420**

**RESOLUTION TO ACCOMPANY APPLICATION FOR PRESERVE AMERICA  
COMMUNITY DESIGNATION.**

WHEREAS, Preserve America is a White House initiative developed in cooperation with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, the U.S. Department of the Interior, and the U.S. Department of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, the goals of this initiative include a greater shared knowledge about our Nation's past, strengthened regional identities and local pride, increased local participation in preserving the country's irreplaceable cultural and natural heritage assets, and support for the economic vitality of communities; and

WHEREAS, this initiative is compatible with our community's interests and goals related to historic preservation; and

WHEREAS, designation as a Preserve America Community will improve our community's ability to protect and promote its historical resources; now therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Billings City Council will apply for the designation of Billings as a Preserve America Community; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Billings City Council will protect and celebrate our heritage, use our historic assets for economic development and community revitalization, and encourage people to experience and appreciate local historic resources through education and heritage tourism programs.

APPROVED AND PASSED by the City Council of the City of Billings this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2006.

THE CITY OF BILLINGS:

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ron Tussing, MAYOR

ATTEST:

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Marita Herold, CMC/AAE CITY CLERK