ORDINANCE 3025
AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE
CREATION OF A MULTIJURISDICTIONAL
SERVICE DISTRICT NAMED
CASCADE COMMUNITY HEALTH DISTRICT

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GREAT FALLS, MONTANA:

WHEREAS, the City-County Health Department has petitioned the City of Great Falls to create a multijurisdictional service district to allow greater flexibility and independence of operations thereby enabling expanded health services to the City of Great Falls and County of Cascade.

WHEREAS, the proposed ordinance is a prerequisite in conjunction with the efforts of Cascade County in concert with the Great Falls City Commission to form a multijurisdictional service district.

WHEREAS, notice of the proposed district and interlocal agreement was published in the Great Falls Tribune, before final passage of said Ordinance herein,

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GREAT FALLS, MONTANA:

Section 1. The City approves the creation of a multijurisdictional service district pursuant to § 7-11-1102(2)(i) (2007), MCA, inclusive of the City of Great Falls and Cascade County, to enhance and expand public health services therein; and, the name of the district shall be the Cascade Community Health District [hereinafter CCHD].

Section 2. Boundaries of the District. For the provision of health services and health department functions, the boundary of CCHD shall be the boundary of Cascade County, as set forth on the map attached hereto as Exhibit “A.”

Section 3. Estimated Costs of Services and Methods of Financing. The estimated cost of the district is $4.5 million (annual operating budget) which is made up of Grants, Fee for Service, Donations, Medicare, Medicaid, 3rd Party Insurance re-imbursement, and continued support from the City and County. CCHD shall be funded as follows:

i. Through revenues and fees generated by the provision of health services;

ii. Through revenues and fees generated by the provision of health department functions;

iii. Through charitable gifting and charitable contributions;

iv. Through federal, state, local and private grants, payments and appropriations permitted by law, including but not limited to, County general fund appropriations and other appropriations from the County, as permitted by law;

v. Through such other payments and appropriations as CCHD may lawfully receive;
vi. Through such other funding as the City may provide.

Section 4. As of the EFFECTIVE DATE, CCHD is funded through property tax assessments totaling five mills. Subject to the provisions of §§15-10-420, 15-10-425 and 7-11-1112, MCA, the maximum property tax mill levy from property taxes the COUNTY may assess for CCHD shall be no more than a total of 10 mills.

Section 5. Method of Administering the Proposed District. CCHD shall be a separate 501(c)(3) legal entity, administered by a Board of Health. The Board of Health shall adopt bylaws, rules and regulations for its operation and administration. Bylaws of the existing Board of Health shall continue in effect until such time as the CCHD Board adopts its own bylaws.

Section 6. All Ordinances and parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 7. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect thirty (30) days after its passage and adoption by the City Commission.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Commission of the City of Great Falls, Montana, on the 18th day of November, 2008.

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Dona R. Stebbins, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Lisa Kunz, City Clerk

(SEAL OF CITY)

Approved for Legal Content: City Attorney
I, Lisa Kunz, City Clerk of the City of Great Falls, Montana, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance 3025 was placed on its final passage and passed by the Commission of the City of Great Falls, Montana, at a meeting thereof held on the 18th day of November, 2008, and approved by the Mayor of said City on the 18th day of November, 2008.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of said City this 18th day of November, 2008.

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Lisa Kunz, City Clerk

(SEAL OF CITY)

Lisa Kunz, being first duly sworn, deposes and says: That on the 18th day of November, 2008, and prior thereto, she was the City Clerk of the City of Great Falls, Montana; that as said City Clerk she did publish and post as required by law and as prescribed and directed by the Commission, Ordinance 3025 of the City of Great Falls, in three conspicuous places within the limits of said City to-wit:

On the Bulletin Board, first floor, Civic Center Building
On the Bulletin Board, first floor, Cascade County Court House
On the Bulletin Board, Great Falls Public Library

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Lisa Kunz, City Clerk

(SEAL OF CITY)