NOTICE OF BUDGET INCREASE FROM PROPERTY TAXES

The City of Great Falls intends to budget an increase in revenue from property taxation by approximately **3.83%**, as allowed by Section 15-10-420, MCA.

All concerned persons are invited and encouraged to attend a public hearing on budgeting the increased property tax revenue and on the budget as a whole to be held on July 15, 2008, at 7:00 p.m., City Commission Chambers, Civic Center Building.

A decision on budgeting the increased property tax revenue will be made after considering comments made at this hearing.

For further information, please contact: City Clerk's Office, Room 202, Civic Center, 455-8451.

Lisa Kunz City Clerk

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RESOLUTION NO. 9750 RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO INCREASE PROPERTY TAX FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2008 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2009

- **WHEREAS,** Section 15-10-203(1), MCA, requires the City to hold a public hearing and subsequently adopt a resolution of its intent to increase property tax revenue, prior to budgeting for any increase in property tax revenue from existing property, and
- **WHEREAS,** Section 15-10-420(1)(a), MCA, allows the City to increase its annual property tax levy by "one-half the rate of inflation for the prior 3 years", and
- WHEREAS, Section 15-10-420(1)(c), MCA, provides for the average rate of inflation to be calculated "using the consumer price index, U.S. City average, all urban consumers, using the 1982-1984 base of 100, as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor", and
- WHEREAS, the applicable consumer price indexes had a three year average of 3.34% and an allowed tax levy increase of **1.67%**, and
- **WHEREAS,** Section 2-9-212(2)(a), MCA, excludes a portion of a governmental entity's property tax levy for premium contributions for group benefits from the mill levy calculation limitation provided for in Section 15-10-420,MCA, and
- **WHEREAS,** Section 2-9-212(2)(a), MCA, allows additional mill levy's for premium contributions for group benefits beyond the amount of contributions in effect, and
- **WHEREAS,** the applicable contributions increase allows the City to levy an additional 3 mills under Section 2-9-212(2)(a), MCA, an allowed tax levy increase of **2.16%**, and
- WHEREAS, the notice of hearing on the City's intent to budget an increase in revenue from property taxation by 3.83%, was published in accordance with Section 7-1-4127, MCA, as required by Section 15-10-203, MCA, and Section 2-9-212, MCA, and
- WHEREAS, the hearing on the City's intent to budget an increase in revenue from property taxation was held in accordance with Section 7-1-4131, MCA, and Section 15-10-203 MCA,

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

Section 1. - Intent to budget additional property tax revenue

The City Commission intends to budget the **3.83 percent** increase in property tax revenue allowed by Section 15-10-420, MCA.

PASSED by the Commission of the City of Great Falls, Montana, on this _____day of ____, 2008.

Dona Stebbins, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lisa Kunz, City Clerk

(SEAL OF CITY)

Approved as to form: City Attorney

State of Montana)
County of Cascade	: ss
City of Great Falls)

I, Lisa Kunz, City Clerk of the City of Great Falls, Montana, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 9750 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 ____ day of ____, 2008, and approved by the Mayor of said City on the __ day of ____, 2008.

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

Lisa Kunz, City Clerk

(SEAL OF CITY)