

July 8-9, 2008

ITEM 140-1901-R0708

**Authorization to Accept the Donation of Real Property;
University of Montana-Helena College of Technology**

THAT:

The Montana Board of Regents of Higher Education authorizes The University of Montana-Helena College of Technology (UMH), to accept the donation of Lot 7 of Block 43 of the Broadwater's Second Addition to the City of Helena from the Salvation Army, a California non-profit corporation doing business in Helena as Helena Corps.

EXPLANATION:

During the academic year 2005-2006, UMH entered into a collaborative project with the Salvation Army to build duplex units on Lots 6, 7, and 8 of Block 49 of the Broadwater's Second Addition to the City of Helena. The duplexes will be rented by the Salvation Army to underprivileged families. The project has provided unique learning opportunities for students enrolled in the UMH Construction Technology Program.

The original agreement provided that, after the completion of the first duplex, the Salvation Army would donate to UMH Lot 7 of Block 43 of the Broadwater's Second Addition to the City of Helena. Lot 7 is slated to be a fundraiser for the UMH Program. The lot will be developed by the UMH Construction Technology Program and then sold for fair market value. By agreement, the proceeds will be used for Construction Technology Program scholarships, tool and material replacement, and construction overhead that directly benefits the UMH program.

The regents have the express authority to accept gifts on behalf of the state, subject to the terms of the gift. § 20-25-103, MCA. UMH will work with UM and OCHE legal counsel with regard to the form of the grant.