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ITEM 138-2009-R0308

Authorization to Name the BSL-3 Building the “Jutila Research Laboratory”; Montana State University-Bozeman

THAT:

Consistent with Board of Regents’ Policy 1004.1, Naming of Buildings, the Board of Regents of the Montana University System authorizes Montana State University to name the BSL-3 Building the “Jutila Research Laboratory.”

EXPLANATION:

This action is proposed by Montana State University in recognition of Dr. John W. Jutila and his distinguished service to the University.

Dr. John Jutila began his career at Montana State University in 1961 as an Assistant Professor of Microbiology. Dr. Jutila was a nationally recognized researcher and an outstanding teacher. Dr. Jutila began his service in the administration in 1974, when he became the Dean of the College of Letters and Science. In 1978, Dr. Jutila was appointed to the position of Vice President for Research, a position he held for ten years. As Vice President for Research, Dr. Jutila encouraged the development of research at Montana State University and his efforts paved the way for MSU’s current success in the acquisition of research funding. He also played an instrumental role in the development of the technology transfer activities at MSU.

After retirement from MSU, Dr. Jutila continued to make significant contributions to the scientific community in Bozeman and continued to work collaboratively with MSU projects. Dr. Jutila founded and served as President of Montana Immunotech, now known as Ligocyte Pharmaceuticals. Ligocyte is one the most successful biotechnology companies in Montana and has provided a conduit for the transfer of MSU technologies to the private sector. Ligocyte also employs many MSU student interns and graduates. In addition to his work with Ligocyte, Dr. Jutila has served on the MSU Foundation Board, Advanced Technology Institute Board and the Research and Development Institute Board.

Montana State University requests authority to name the BSL-3 building the “Jutila Research Facility” in recognition of Dr. Jutila’s significant contributions to Montana State University.