

1 inside our borders or for our common Montana citizens; and

2 WHEREAS, we believe the investigation of alternative ways of approaching the reservation system can
3 and will produce a new system that will enhance the lives, the happiness, and the opportunities for our Indian
4 citizens while at the same time promoting peace, harmony, and stability for all.

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6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
7 THE STATE OF MONTANA:

8 That the 68th Legislature of the State of Montana urges Congress to:

- 9 (1) investigate alternatives to the American Indian reservation system;
10 (2) undertake this investigation as soon as is reasonably possible; and
11 (3) communicate the progress of this investigation to legislative leadership in Montana and any
12 state containing a reservation for American Indians.

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State send a copy of this resolution to each
14 member of the United States House of Representatives, each member of the United States Senate, the
15 Governor, and the tribal governments of each of the federally recognized Indian tribes in Montana.

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