

# SECRETARY OF STATE



## CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

I, **JIM WALTERMIRE**, Secretary of State of the State of Montana, do hereby certify that the Articles of Incorporation for the incorporation of **MONTANA ASSOCIATION OF RESERVATION COUNTIES, INC.**, a Montana nonprofit corporation, duly executed pursuant to the provisions of Section 35-2-203, Montana Code Annotated, have been received in my office and conform to law.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, **JIM WALTERMIRE**, as such Secretary of State, by virtue of the authority vested in me by law, hereby issue this Certificate of Incorporation to **MONTANA ASSOCIATION OF RESERVATION COUNTIES, INC.**, a Montana nonprofit corporation, and attach hereto a copy of the Articles of Incorporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I  
have hereunto set my hand and  
affixed the Great Seal of the  
State of Montana, at Helena,  
the Capital, this February 25,  
A.D. 1988.

(GREAT SEAL)

**JIM WALTERMIRE**  
Secretary of State

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

JIM WALTERMIRE  
SECRETARY OF STATE

*Jim Waltermire*

MONTANA ASSOCIATION OF RESERVATION COUNTIES, INC.

The undersigned, acting as incorporators of a corporation under the Montana Non-Profit Corporation Act, adopt the following articles of incorporation for such corporation:

1. Name. The name of the corporation is Montana Association of Reservation Counties, Inc.
2. Duration. The period of its duration is perpetual.
3. Purpose. The purpose of which the corporation is organized is to promote the voluntary cooperation and coordination of the several reservation counties of the State of Montana, serving as a clearinghouse of legal, fiscal, and other part of an Indian Reservation; to offer educational services for officials of county governments affected by Indian reservations; and to provide effective and unified voice for counties faced with the unique problems of administration of local government on Indian reservations. This corporation is one which does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit.
4. Powers. The corporation shall have and exercise all rights and powers from time to time granted to a non-profit corporation by law; provided, however, that the corporation shall exercise only such rights and powers as are in furtherance of the exempt purposes of organizations set forth in Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code as the same now exists or as it may be hereafter amended from time to time.
5. Internal Affairs. Provisions for the regulation of the

internal affairs of the corporation, including provisions for the distribution of assets on dissolution or final liquidation, are:

(a) The corporation shall have such class or classes of members as shall be set forth in the by-laws.

(b) Upon dissolution or final liquidation as provided by law, after paying or adequately providing for the debts and obligations of the corporation, the remaining assets shall be distributed to a non-profit fund, foundation or corporation which is organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious and/or scientific purposes and which has established its tax-exempt status under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code as the same now exists or as it may be hereafter amended from time to time, or to as many of each and any of these and in such proportion, as may be specified in a plan of distribution adopted by the corporation.

6. Registered Office and Registered Agent. The address of the initial registered office of the corporation is 1802 - 11th Avenue, Helena, MT 59601, and the name of its initial registered agent at such address is C. Gordon Morris.

7. Directors. The number of directors constituting the initial board of directors of the corporation is three, and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors are:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Michael W. Hutchin	Commissioner, Lake County 106 4th Avenue E., Polson, Montana 59860

Don Bailey

Commissioner, Rosebud County,  
P. O. Box 47, Forsyth, Montana  
59327

Ray Harbin

Commissioner, Lake County  
106 4th Avenue E., Polson,  
Montana 59860

8. Incorporators. The name and address of each incorporator is:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Michael W. Hutchin	Commissioner, Lake County 106 4th Avenue E., Polson, Montana 59860
Don Bailey	Commissioner, Rosebud County, P. O. Box 47, Forsyth, Montana 59327
Ray Harbin	Commissioner, Lake County 106 4th Avenue E., Polson, Montana 59860

DATED This 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1988.

MONTANA ASSOCIATION OF RESERVATION COUNTIES, INC.

Michael Hutchin

Don Bailey

Ray Harbin