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Executive order No. 10 - 2005

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EXECUTIVE ORDER ESTABLISHING THE  
MONTANA QUARTER DESIGN SELECTION COMMISSION

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WHEREAS, The United States Congress has enacted the 50 State Commemorative Coin Program Act, which created The 50 State Quarters Program, under which a design honoring each state is placed on the reverse side of the United States quarter; and

WHEREAS, the United States Mint will release the Montana State commemorative quarter in 2007; and

WHEREAS, as part of the selection process, the Secretary of the Treasury and the United States Mint have requested that the Governor conduct a concept selection process and provide the United States Mint at least three, but no more than five, narrative design concepts for the Montana quarter; and

WHEREAS, based on the narrative design concepts submitted by the state, the United States Mint will produce artwork embodying each concept. After approval of the designs by the Secretary of the Treasury, the designs will be presented to the state. As provided in the Act, the Governor will then recommend the final design to the Secretary of the Treasury for final approval;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Brian Schweitzer, by virtue of the power vested in me as Governor of the State of Montana, do hereby establish the Montana Quarter Design Selection Commission.

The Commission shall choose the narrative design concepts to be presented to the United States Mint and shall make recommendations to the Governor regarding the final design of the Montana quarter.

1 The Commission shall consist of the following members:

2 Governor Brian Schweitzer, Chair  
3 Arnie Olson, Historical Expert  
4 Gary Marks, Numismatist  
5 Keith Gumm, Numismatist  
6 Nancy Warneke-Gaynor, Citizen Member  
7 Sarah Elliott, Commission Staff

8 Commission members shall serve on a voluntary basis, and are not eligible for payment  
9 of expenses from the Governor's office or the State of Montana.

10 The Commission shall adopt a procedure for the review and consideration of all narrative  
11 design concepts received by the Commission. By a time specified by the United States Mint,  
12 the Commission shall submit three to five narrative design concepts for the Montana quarter.  
13 The Commission may edit any design concept submitted to the United States Mint and shall  
14 explain why the concept is emblematic of the State of Montana.

15 When the United States Mint provides the state with its final design, the Commission  
16 shall reconvene to review the designs and to make final recommendations to the Governor. The  
17 Governor shall have final approval of the design submitted to the United States Mint.

18 This Executive Order shall become effective immediately and expire when the Secretary  
19 of the Treasury approves the final design of the Montana quarter or two years whichever comes  
20 first.

21 GIVEN under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Montana this 30<sup>th</sup> day

22 of June in the year Two Thousand and Five, A.D.

23   
24 Brian Schweitzer, Governor

25 Attest:

  
Brad Johnson, Secretary of State