EXHIBIT 5-A

SAMPLE FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the (Grantee’s Governing Board) desires to give meaning to the guarantees of equal rights contained in the Constitution and laws of this state and the United States, and to encourage and bring about mutual self-respect and understanding among all citizens and groups in the (City/Town/County/Jurisdiction); and

WHEREAS, under the Federal Fair Housing Law, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, it is illegal to deny housing to any person because of race, color, religion, gender, physical or mental disabilities or national origin; and

WHEREAS, under the Montana State Fair Housing Law, Title 49-2-305, MCA, it is illegal to deny housing to any person because of age, race, gender, religion or creed, color, marital status, physical or mental disability, familial status or national origin.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:

- (Name of Grantee), Montana makes a firm commitment to do all within its power to eliminate prejudice, intolerance, disorder and discrimination in housing;

- A Fair Housing Law poster, which includes the Equal Housing Opportunity logo, will be placed at (Grantee’s Place of Business); and

- The following procedures will be used to accomplish the purpose of the aforementioned resolutions:
  1. The (Grantee’s Governing Board) shall inform all (Grantee) employees of the (Grantee’s) commitment to fair housing.
  2. The (Grantee’s Governing Board) will post this resolution in (Grantee’s) buildings and other public places and publicize it.
  3. The (Grantee’s Governing Board) shall direct all employees to forward immediately to the (Mayor/Chair) any reports they receive of housing discrimination.
  4. The (Mayor/Chair) shall forward such complaints to the Montana Human Rights Bureau, Department of Labor and Industry, 1625 11th Ave., P.O. Box 1728, Helena, MT 59624-1728, within 10 days of receipt of said complaint.

Signature: _______________________________
Title: _______________________________
Date: _______________________________