MCTAC APPLICATION – July 9, 2020

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Applicant Background:

Are you a city resident: Yes

If you answered "yes" to being a city resident, please tell us how long you've lived in the city and what ward you live in:

How long immediately prior to today's date have you been a city resident? I have been a Missoula resident since April 1, 2019, and have lived in Missoula for many years in different periods of my life.

In which ward do you reside? 3

Are you a U.S. citizen? Yes Are you registered to vote? Yes

Current Occupation: Campus Organizer

Current Employer: Montana Public Interest Research Group

<u>Briefly describe your educational background</u>: After attending high school in Corvallis, MT, I took classes at the University of Montana in Missoula and Bitterroot College in Hamilton. In addition to general education requirements, I have taken coursework in Native American history, theatre acting and stagecraft, geology, and water resources management. I have attended professional development seminars in education and community organizing, including the Montana Behavioral Initiative Summer Institute 2019, the 21st Century Learning Conference in 2019, and nonprofit fundraising training with Northern Plains Resource Council.

<u>List of community service experience</u>: In the summer of 2019, I completed an AmeriCorps summer term serving at MAPS Media Institute in Hamilton. During that service term, I developed curriculum in media arts, instructed students in film, design, and other subjects for their summer programs, and helped design a new classroom space for the Holter Museum in Helena. I have a long-term volunteer relationship with the Hamilton Players, with whom I have worked as an actor, director, stage manager, and designer on multiple theatrical productions. I have also served as a volunteer for the Zootown Arts Community Center for their Mini Show fundraiser.

What is your interest in serving on this board, commission, or committee? As a lifelong consumer of public media through PBS, NPR, and local public media outlets, I think there is significant value in maintaining a positive rapport between local government and local media outlets. Citizens need to have quality access to broadcasted public proceedings, and I believe my mix of experience in media and community outreach and organizing speaks to the needs of this commission.

<u>Do you have any special knowledge, interest, or experience that would qualify you for a position on this</u> board, commission, or committee? As a dedicated public advocate for open, accountable government,

paired with my experience in media arts, I think my perspective on civic access television could be beneficial to the decision making of this commission.

References:

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