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From: Rick Jore [rickjore@gmail.com]
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To: Ravalli County Commissioners
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Subject: My sincerest commendations

Commissioners Foss, Burrows, and Stoltz,

Please accept my sincere commendation for the expression of integrity that your votes to reject federal Title X funding in Ravalli County represents. Your courage means a great deal to me...and my children and grandchildren.

I commend you for being willing to put your oath of office before political expediency. That is rare in this age of entrenched statism, where it seems almost everyone thinks they have a right to the public treasury for virtually any need.

If we are to "change course" away from statism and back to freedom, it is imperative that we get government at all levels back within constitutional boundaries. Your action relative to federal Title X money is a wonderful example to others serving in public office. My prayer is that what you have done will inspire others to follow your example.

I fully understand the intense political pressure and negative media exposure you have experienced...and, I suspect, will continue to experience. I am sure you understand that those who have become dependent upon the public treasury for their livelihoods, including those employed by the bureaucracies of statism, make the most noise when their access to other peoples money is threatened. However, please be encouraged by the fact that many of your constituents and others from all around the state of Montana...and I would say all around the United States...are standing with you.

"Always vote for principle, though you may vote alone, and you may cherish the sweetest reflection that your vote is never lost." -John Quincy Adams

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