

**Fifty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 9, 2001**

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3004
(Legislative Council)
(Taxation Committee)

A concurrent resolution urging Congress not to implement or allow implementation of the Kyoto Protocol because of the potentially disastrous impact on American agriculture.

WHEREAS, the 1997 Kyoto Protocol treaty on global warming called for reduction in emissions of carbon dioxide and certain other gases to at least seven percent below 1990 levels and application of carbon permit fees to fuel users in industrial countries; and

WHEREAS, the impact of the Kyoto Protocol on United States farmers would be devastating because of forced reliance on fuels and aggravation of the farm crisis from fuel cost increases that would come with implementation of the Kyoto Protocol; and

WHEREAS, federal policy should foster expansion and diversification of and investment in the United States agricultural economy, and these objectives would be impeded by fuel cost increases for United States farmers; and

WHEREAS, it should be possible to develop environmentally responsible policy to reduce greenhouse gas emissions without destroying the livelihood of those who make the United States the greatest food-producing nation in the world;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

That the Fifty-seventh Legislative Assembly urges the Congress of the United States not to implement or allow implementation of the Kyoto Protocol because of the potentially disastrous impact on American agriculture; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this resolution to each member of the North Dakota Congressional Delegation.

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Secretary of the Senate

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2001,
at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State