

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4048**

Introduced by

Senators Tallackson, Krauter, Mutch, G. Nelson

Representatives Belter, Boucher

(Approved by the Delayed Bills Committee)

1 A concurrent resolution urging the issuance of a postage stamp to honor the Purple Heart  
2 medal and those who have received the Purple Heart medal.

3 **WHEREAS**, the Order of the Purple Heart for military merit, initially called the Badge of  
4 Military Merit, was established by General George Washington at Newburg, New York, on  
5 August 7, 1782, during the Revolutionary War; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the Order of the Purple Heart is a combat decoration awarded to members  
7 of the armed forces of the United States without regard to rank and issued without  
8 recommendation but upon specific criteria including being wounded or killed in hostile  
9 circumstances; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the Purple Heart is a beautiful and the world's costliest medal requiring  
11 nineteen separate operations to complete from the rough heart stamped from bronze to the  
12 finished medal, plated with gold and enameled in various colors, suspended from a purple and  
13 white ribbon;

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

16 That the Fifty-seventh Legislative Assembly urges the issuance of a postage stamp to  
17 honor the Purple Heart medal and those who have received the Purple Heart medal; and

18 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this  
19 resolution to the Postmaster General, the chairman and members of the Citizens' Stamp  
20 Advisory Committee, and to each member of the North Dakota Congressional Delegation.