

**Fifty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 7, 2003**

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4006

(Senators Christmann, Erbele, G. Lee)

(Representatives Grosz, Haas, Pietsch)

A concurrent resolution commending the volunteers and staff of the Dollars for Scholars program for being selected to establish a state office and commending the 7,500 young North Dakota scholarship recipients for their hard work and dedication to the pursuit of education.

WHEREAS, North Dakota citizens value postsecondary education and are supportive of young people who seek to obtain a postsecondary education; and

WHEREAS, the rising cost of postsecondary education makes it difficult for many families to finance such a pursuit; and

WHEREAS, the Dollars for Scholars organization is committed to creating local scholarship opportunities for the students of this state and promoting private sector scholarships; and

WHEREAS, there are 63 Dollars for Scholars chapters serving 120 North Dakota communities which have already raised over \$8.6 million and awarded more than 7,500 scholarships to North Dakota students; and

WHEREAS, during the 2001-02 school year, the Dollars for Scholars chapters in this state awarded over \$801,000 to North Dakota students; and

WHEREAS, the national office of the Dollar for Scholars program has selected North Dakota as a recipient of funds with which to organize a state Dollars for Scholars office; and

WHEREAS, a state office will aid in strengthening the existing programs and in developing new chapters dedicated to awarding scholarships to our students; and

WHEREAS, the national Dollars for Scholars program has been rated one of the top education charities by Smart Money magazine for five years in a row;

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

That the Legislative Assembly commends the volunteers and staff of the Dollars for Scholars program for being selected to establish a state office and commends the 7,500 young North Dakota scholarship recipients for their hard work and dedication to the pursuit of education; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this resolution to the national office of Dollar for Scholars and to the director of the North Dakota Dollars for Scholars program.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

Secretary of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2003,
at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State