

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3048

Introduced by

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1 A concurrent resolution celebrating the one-hundredth anniversary of Theodore Roosevelt's
2 election as President of the United States.

3 **WHEREAS**, after the death of his wife and mother in 1883, Theodore Roosevelt spent
4 several years almost exclusively in North Dakota enjoying the strenuous life of ranching in the
5 Badlands; and

6 **WHEREAS**, in addition to holding elected office as New York State Assemblyman,
7 Governor of New York, and Vice President of the United States, he was also a deputy sheriff in
8 the Dakota Territory, New York City Police Commissioner, United States Civil Service
9 Commissioner, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, and Colonel of the Roughriders, all by the age
10 of 42; and

11 **WHEREAS**, in 1904 Theodore Roosevelt was elected President of the United States
12 after having succeeded to the presidency as the twenty-sixth President of the United States at
13 the age of 42, making him the youngest person to serve as President; and

14 **WHEREAS**, President Roosevelt often commented that he never would have become
15 President had it not been for his experiences in North Dakota; and

16 **WHEREAS**, President Roosevelt went on to win the Nobel Peace Prize, start
17 construction of the Panama Canal, establish five national parks and the first 18 national
18 monuments, and become a pioneer in conservation and antitrust enforcement;

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

21 That the Fifty-eighth Legislative Assembly establishes 2004 as an official year of
22 celebration of the one-hundredth anniversary of the election of Theodore Roosevelt as
23 President of the United States.