

**Sixtieth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Wednesday, January 3, 2007**

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4012
(Senators J. Lee, Krebsbach, Nelson)
(Representatives Delmore, Gulleason, L. Meier)**

A concurrent resolution declaring Friday, February 2, 2007, "Go Red Day" in North Dakota and encouraging all citizens to wear red to raise awareness of cardiovascular disease.

WHEREAS, heart disease and stroke are the number one and number four killers of women over the age of 25; and

WHEREAS, 53 percent of all cardiovascular disease deaths occur in females, and each year approximately 32,800 more females than males die from stroke; and

WHEREAS, in 2004 heart disease and stroke accounted for 39.1 percent of all deaths in females in North Dakota; and

WHEREAS, in 2004 heart disease and stroke killed more females in North Dakota than the next five causes of death combined; and

WHEREAS, in 2007 the anticipated direct and indirect cost of cardiovascular diseases and stroke in the United States is estimated to be \$431.8 billion; and

WHEREAS, heart disease and stroke are largely preventable with early detection and prevention; and

WHEREAS, Go Red For Women is the American Heart Association's national call to increase awareness of heart disease and to inspire women to take charge of their heart health; and

WHEREAS, all women should learn their own personal risk for heart disease, using tools such as the American Heart Association's Go Red For Women Heart CheckUp and by talking to their health care providers; and

WHEREAS, the American Heart Association and the Dakota Medical Association are committed to public education and professional education about the risk factors for heart disease and stroke and to take action to reduce, control, or prevent as many risk factors as possible; and

WHEREAS, Go Red North Dakota, a three-year, \$1.2 million initiative of the American Heart Association and Dakota Medical Foundation, launches in 2007 to improve the cardiovascular health of women and their families;

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

That the Sixtieth Legislative Assembly expresses support for the Go Red North Dakota Initiative and commends the broad range of private and public sector partners from the state and local levels for their hard work to improve the heart health of women and their families; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Sixtieth Legislative Assembly declares Friday, February 2, 2007, "Go Red Day" and encourages all citizens to wear red to raise awareness of cardiovascular disease; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this resolution to the Governor, statewide Go Red spokesperson First Lady Mikey Hoeven, the Dakota Medical

Foundation, the American Heart Association, and each member of the North Dakota Congressional Delegation.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

Secretary of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2007,
at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State