Sixty-first Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3065

Introduced by

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Government and Veterans Affairs Committee

(Approved by the Delayed Bills Committee)

1 A concurrent resolution urging Congress to appoint an independent counsel to investigate the 2 issue of American prisoners of war and those missing in action. 3 WHEREAS, the issue of prisoners of war and those missing in action has been a 4 national dilemma since the end of World War II; and 5 WHEREAS, there is a strong need for an independent investigation into all unresolved 6 matters relating to any United States personnel unaccounted for from the Gulf War, Vietnam 7 Conflict, Korean Conflict, World War II, and Cold War missions, including personnel missing in 8 action and prisoners of war; and 9 WHEREAS, it is the responsibility and duty of the United States government to bring 10 home Americans missing in action from the Gulf War, Vietnam Conflict, Korean Conflict, World 11 War II, and Cold War missions; and 12 WHEREAS, as of July 2005 the Government Accountability Office listed 88,115 service 13 men and women unaccounted for from these conflicts; and 14 WHEREAS, American prisoners of war and their missing comrades have demonstrated 15 the true spirit of our nation and should never be forgotten; and 16 WHEREAS, the families of these inspiring Americans deserve to know what happened 17 to their loved ones; and 18 WHEREAS, Americans from every generation have answered the call to duty with 19 dedication and valor and these brave Americans deserve the respect and gratitude of our 20 nation and all efforts should be made to resolve the prisoner of war and missing in action issue 21 in their honor; 22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

- That the Sixty-first Legislative Assembly urges the Congress of the United States to appoint an independent counsel to investigate the issue of American prisoners of war and those missing in action; and
- 4 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this 5 resolution to the President of the United States and to each member of the North Dakota
- 6 Congressional Delegation.