

Sixty-first  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

**SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4007**

Introduced by

Senators Marcellais, Mathern, Oehlke

Representatives Conrad, Froelich

1 A concurrent resolution urging Congress to adopt a resolution of apology for the poor treatment  
2 of Native Americans by the United States.

3 **WHEREAS**, the history of relations between the United States and the Indian tribes of  
4 North America has passed through several distinct eras, including the nonintercourse era, the  
5 Indian removal era, the reservation era, the allotment era, the Indian reorganization era, the  
6 termination and relocation era, and the self-determination era; and

7 **WHEREAS**, much of the historical relationship between the United States and the  
8 Indian tribes of North America may be characterized as unequal with the United States  
9 benefitting from this unequal relationship; and

10 **WHEREAS**, one characteristic of a great nation is to recognize this unequal  
11 relationship, the harm this unequal relationship has caused the Indian nations of the United  
12 States, and to atone for past injustices;

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

15 That the Sixty-first Legislative Assembly urges the Congress of the United States to  
16 adopt a resolution of apology for the poor treatment of Native Americans by the United States;  
17 and

18 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this  
19 resolution to each member of the North Dakota Congressional Delegation.