Sixty-first Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4014

Introduced by

Senator Wardner

1 A concurrent resolution recognizing October 15 as Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance 2 Day. 3 WHEREAS, each year, approximately one million pregnancies in the United States end 4 in miscarriage, stillbirth, or the death of a newborn baby; and 5 WHEREAS, it is a great tragedy to lose the life of a child; and 6 WHEREAS, even the shortest lives are still valuable, and the grief of those who mourn 7 the loss of these lives should be remembered by a compassionate public; and 8 WHEREAS, Governors of all 50 states have signed proclamations designating 9 October 15 as Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day; and 10 WHEREAS, the legislatures of the states of Arkansas, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, 11 Missouri, New York, Rhode Island, and South Dakota have passed concurrent resolutions 12 recognizing October 15 of each year as Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day; and 13 **WHEREAS**, the observance of Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day may 14 provide comfort to those who have lost a child through miscarriage, stillbirth, or other 15 complications; and 16 WHEREAS, recognizing Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day would enable 17 the public to consider how, as individuals and communities, they can meet the needs of 18 bereaved mothers, fathers, and family members, and work to prevent the causes of these 19 deaths; and 20 WHEREAS, October 15 of each year is an appropriate day to observe Pregnancy and 21 Infant Loss Remembrance Day; 22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN: 23 24 That the Sixty-first Legislative Assembly recognizes October 15 as Pregnancy and 25 Infant Loss Remembrance Day, supports the goals and ideals of National Pregnancy and Infant

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- 1 Loss Remembrance Day, and requests that the Governor issue an annual proclamation calling
- 2 upon the people of North Dakota to observe that day with appropriate compassion, programs,
- 3 and activities.