Sixty-second Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

FIRST ENGROSSMENT

ENGROSSED SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4003

Introduced by

Legislative Management

(Workforce Committee)

1 A concurrent resolution supporting the Northern Tier Network Technology Initiative, its private

2 <u>enterprise partners</u>, and the related activities of the Legislative Management's Information

3 Technology Committee.

4 **WHEREAS**, the Northern Tier Network Technology Initiative is the implementation of an

5 information technology network for the purpose of supporting the research and education

6 missions of the North Dakota University System from Seattle, Washington, to Chicago, Illinois,

7 and from Winnipeg, Manitoba, to Omaha, Nebraska, with North Dakota's segments bordering

8 Montana to the west, Minnesota to the east, the Canadian border to the north, and South

9 Dakota to the south; and

10 **WHEREAS**, in 2007 the Legislative Assembly appropriated funds to the North Dakota

11 University System to support the Northern Tier Network Technology Initiative; and

12 WHEREAS, during the 2007-08 and 2009-10 interims the Legislative Management's

13 Information Technology Committee has received status reports on the implementation of North

14 Dakota's portion of the Northern Tier Network; and

15 WHEREAS, North Dakota telecommunication companies have played and will continue to

16 play an important role in supporting the Northern Tier Network Technology Initiative;

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE

18 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

- 19 That the Sixty-second Legislative Assembly supports the Northern Tier Network Technology
- 20 Initiative, its private enterprise partners, and the related activities of the Legislative
- 21 Management's interim Information Technology Committee.

22 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this resolution

to the members of the Northern Tier Network - North Dakota and the chairman of the Legislative

24 Management's Information Technology Committee.