Sixty-second Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

## **SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4013**

Introduced by

Senators Stenehjem, Christmann, Sitte

Representatives Carlson, Delzer, Pollert

- 1 A concurrent resolution urging Congress to adopt a federal balanced budget amendment.
- 2 **WHEREAS**, a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States is
- 3 necessary to restore fiscal discipline to our republic; and
- 4 **WHEREAS**, a balanced budget amendment should require the President to submit to
- 5 Congress a proposed budget before each fiscal year in which total federal spending does not
- 6 exceed total revenue; and

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- 7 WHEREAS, that the balanced budget amendment should include a requirement that a
- 8 supermajority of both houses of Congress be necessary to increase taxes; and
  - WHEREAS, the federal budget should be balanced by reductions in or freezing current
- 10 spending before any increase in taxes; and
- WHEREAS, a balanced budget amendment should include a limitation on total federalspending;

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

- 14 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:
- 15 That the Sixty-second Legislative Assembly urges Congress to adopt a federal balanced
- 16 budget amendment; and
- 17 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this resolution
- 18 to the presiding officer of each house of Congress, the President, and to each member of the
- 19 North Dakota Congressional Delegation.