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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

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

9 **WHEREAS**, the federal budget should be balanced by reductions in or freezing current
10 spending before any increase in taxes; and

11 **WHEREAS**, a balanced budget amendment should include a limitation on total federal
12 spending;

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.