Sixty-fifth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

Introduced by

Representatives Schatz, B. Anderson, Brabandt, Hatlestad, Skroch, Sukut

1 A concurrent resolution urging the North Dakota High School Activities Association to expand

2 the classification of schools in the state for boys and girls basketball to include a third tier and to

3 rename the tiers Class AAA, Class AA, and Class A and to expand athletic offerings to include

4 six-man football.

5 **WHEREAS**, under the classification system used by the North Dakota High School

6 Activities Association, Class A schools consist of all member high schools with a total enrollment

7 of 325 students or more and Class B schools consist of all member high schools with a total

8 enrollment of 324 students or fewer; and

9 WHEREAS, many schools in the state have enrollments that fall far below the enrollment
10 threshold for Class B schools; and

11 WHEREAS, many schools with smaller enrollments find it difficult to compete with the larger

12 counterparts in activities offered by the North Dakota High School Activities Association; and

WHEREAS, some school cooperatives require students to travel more than 40 miles one
way for football; and

15 WHEREAS, offering a third tier of classification and six-man football would allow many

16 smaller high schools to participate in activities offered by the North Dakota High School

17 Activities Association at a more competitive level;

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF

19 NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

20 That the Sixty-fifth Legislative Assembly urges the North Dakota High School Activities

21 Association to expand the classification of schools in the state for boys and girls basketball to

include a third tier and to rename the tiers Class AAA, Class AA, and Class A and to expand

23 athletic offerings to include six-man football; and

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- 1 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this resolution
- 2 to each member of the executive staff and board of directors of the North Dakota High School
- 3 Activities Association.