### HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

# HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 1 (Burvee, Baldwin)

#### IDENTIFICATION TAGS

A resolution directing the chief clerk of the house of representatives to provide identification tags for all members and employees of the house.

WHEREAS, it is difficult for the members of the house of representatives and the employees thereof to recognize one another; and

Whereas, it would be very helpful if identification tags were provided to each member and employee of the house of representatives;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of North Dakota:

That the chief clerk of the house is hereby directed to procure as soon as possible white identification tags for all members and employees of the house of representatives and all employees shall wear such tags during all duty hours.

Filed January 15, 1963.

### HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 2 (Vinje, Mueller, Bloom)

#### ELECTION CONTESTS

A resolution relating to the election contests in the 18th Legislative District.

Whereas, Frank Bassingthwaite of Cavalier County, 18th Legislative District, has filed with the secretary of state a contest contesting the election of Glen Goodman of the 18th Legislative District; and

WHEREAS, Robert Wells of Cavalier County, 18th Legislative District, has filed a contest with the secretary of state contesting the election of Albert Bowles of the 18th Legislative District; and

Whereas, such notices of contests have been forwarded to the house of representatives and a committee having been appointed to check the contested elections; and Whereas, the charges contained in said notices of contest should be investigated by the house of representatives;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Thirty-eighth Legislative Assembly:

That such committee shall have all power and authority necessary to investigate the charges contained in such notices of contest, which shall specifically include the following powers and authority:

- 1. Authority to subpoena witnesses;
- 2. Subpoena public and private records;
- To administer oaths or affirmations to all witnesses;
- 4. To apply to the House for the punishment of any witnesses for contempt or for any disobedience of a subpoena, a refusal to be sworn, or to answer as a witness;
- 5. To reduce the testimony to writing as the committee deems it advisable;
- 6. To conduct such hearing at such place or places as the committee may deem necessary or convenient;
- 7. That the committee be authorized to employ such personnel or other assistance as they may deem necessary;

Be It Further Resolved, that the expenses of such investigation as are authorized by the committee be paid from legislative funds, including subpoena fees and the mileage and fees of subpoenaed witnesses at the rates provided for witnesses of the district courts.

Filed January 15, 1963.

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 3 (Link, Christensen, Aamoth, Halcrow)

#### INAUGURATION COMMENDATION

A resolution expressing appreciation to the adjutant general, the national guard, and the governor's reception and ball committee for their activities in making the inauguration activities a success.

Whereas, Brigadier General LaClair Melhouse, North Dakota adjutant general, and the North Dakota national guard have for many sessions handled the governor's inaugural program in a most commendable manner; and

Whereas, they have again on January 9, 1963 performed these duties with finesse, dignity, and courtesy toward the Honorable William L. Guy and his family, as well as the other elected state officials; and

WHEREAS, the governor's reception and ball committee planned and made the governor's reception and ball an outstanding event:

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of North Dakota:

That the house of representatives of the Thirty-eighth Legislative Assembly of the state of North Dakota does hereby express its thanks and appreciation to Brigadier General LaClair Melhouse and the national guard and to the governor's reception and ball committee and to all others who furnished numbers for the programs or assisted in any way with the success of these events.

Be It Further Resolved, that this resolution be printed in the journal and that properly authenticated copies be sent to Brigadier General LaClair Melhouse and Mrs. Charles Tighe, chairman of the governor's reception and ball committee.

Filed January 17, 1963.

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 4 (Loder, Christensen (Ward), Knudsen)

#### OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPHER

A resolution to appoint an official photographer for the house of representatives of the Thirty-eighth Legislative Assembly of the state of North Dakota.

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of North Dakota:

Whereas, for historical purposes it has been the custom of all North Dakota legislative assemblies to have composite group pictures made of all members of such assemblies, and

Whereas, Rudrud Studio of Bismarck, North Dakota, offers to make a large composite group picture of the members of the house of representatives of the Thirty-eighth Legislative Assembly, size forty-nine by thirty-eight inches, composite framed and ready to hang, and one hundred and seventeen, eleven by fourteen inches, copies of said composite for each member and desk force of the house, and one five by seven inch print of each representative for the state historical society, at a total cost of nine hundred ninety-nine dollars and fifty cents.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that Rudrud Studio of Bismarck, North Dakota, be and is hereby appointed official photographer for the North Dakota house of representatives of the Thirty-Eighth Legislative Assembly.

Be It Further Resolved, that Rudrud Studio of Bismarck, North Dakota, be and is hereby awarded the sole privilege of photographing members of the house of the Thirty-eighth Legislative Assembly at a total cost of nine hundred ninetynine dollars and fifty cents, to be taken out of legislative expenses.

If the one hundred seventeen, eleven by fourteen inches, copies are not completed prior to the closing of session, fifty dollars will be added to this bid for the expense of mailing said copies to the individual members.

Filed February 11, 1963.

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 5 (Bratcher, Dick, Fitch, Goebel, Wagner, Mueller, Ganser)

#### INTERSTATE HIGHWAY WAGE SCALES

A resolution relating to the letting of contracts by the North Dakota state highway department for the construction of a bridge on Interstate Highway No. 94 across the Missouri River.

Whereas, the North Dakota state highway department had scheduled bid letting on the proposed bridge across the Missouri River on Interstate Highway 94 on Friday, February 8th, 1963; and

Whereas, on February 6th, 1963, the state highway department was requested by the secretary of labor to alter wage scales for certain classifications of labor contained in the specifications for said bridge project, which request involved increases in hourly wage rates ranging from 10 cents to \$1.95 per hour, or from 10 percent to 97 percent; and

Whereas, the requested increases in wage rates are higher than the prevailing wage rates for similar classifications in North Dakota, and it is the duty of the Davis-Bacon Section of the United States Department of Labor to determine wage rates on interstate highway construction projects consistent with the prevailing wage rates in the situs area of the construction; and

Whereas, the requested increases in wage rates are applicable only to certain classifications of labor, are disruptive of the existing wage relationships between different classifications of labor and are prejudicial to those classifications not similarly favored;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the House of Representatives of the Thirty-Eighth Legislative Assembly:

Strongly urges the Davis-Bacon Section of the United States Department of Labor to determine wage rates for said bridge construction consistent with those currently prevailing in the state of North Dakota as required by law.

Filed February 13, 1963.

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 6 (Delayed Bills Committee) (Collette, Lundene, Staven)

#### COMMENDATION OF LUTHER BERNTSON

A resolution commending Luther Berntson of Edinburg, North Dakota, upon his selection as North Dakota's outstanding young farmer, and wishing him success in national competition.

Whereas, Luther Berntson is the son of the late George R. Berntson, who was a respected long-time member of the North Dakota House of Representatives; and

Whereas, Luther Berntson has recently been selected by the North Dakota Junior Chamber of Commerce as North Dakota's outstanding young farmer of the year; and

Whereas, by virtue of having won such honor, Luther Berntson will represent the state of North Dakota in national competition;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of North Dakota:

That the sincere congratulations of the North Dakota House of Representatives are hereby extended to Luther Berntson, North Dakota's outstanding young farmer, together with best wishes for success in national competition.

Filed February 26, 1963.

## HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 7 (Dornacker, Baldwin)

#### SUPPORT OF EDUCATION

A resolution expressing the support of the North Dakota house of representatives for the future of education in North Dakota.

Whereas, the great state of North Dakota, like any business or individual, will either move ahead or slide backwards. The civilization of the world has progressed from the dark ages to our present civilization, only due to education; and

Whereas, North Dakota, through industry or changes in our present agricultural economy, has no choice but to export the majority of our young people. If we are to export these, our children, we must give them the best education possible or they will have only the choice of going through life as low wage earners; and

Whereas, we believe that the people of our great state want and are willing and capable of paying for education in both the elementary and secondary field and higher education field;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of North Dakota:

That we the members of the Thirty-eighth Assembly of the North Dakota Legislature, by our action here, wish to convey to the presidents of our colleges, the instructors in our colleges, our schools, the students, their parents, and the parents of tomorrow that we will give our full support to the field of education; not with fancy frills but in a manner which will keep good instructors, facilities, and curriculum.

Filed March 14, 1963.

### HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 8 (Maragos)

#### STATE HOSPITAL STUDY

A resolution directing the speaker of the house of representatives to appoint five members of the Thirty-eighth Legislative Assembly to work with three members of the North Dakota Medical Association to study the board of administration's operation of the state hospital.

Whereas, various committees have been appointed to investigate the board of administration's management of the state hospital and to offer recommendations as to how the operation of the hospital may be improved; and

Whereas, as a result of such investigations and recommendations there has been considerable legislative activity concerning the state hospital; and

Whereas, all of this activity has resulted in very little constructive legislation;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of North Dakota:

That the speaker of the house of representatives is hereby directed to appoint five members of the house of representatives of the Thirty-eighth Legislative Assembly who immediately upon appointment shall choose one of their number to be chairman and who, together with three members of the North Dakota Medical Association appointed by such five members of the Thirty-eighth Legislative Assembly, shall comprise the Legislative-Medical State Hospital Committee. Such committee shall meet within sixty days of adjournment of the Thirty-eighth Legislative Assembly and at the call of the chairman. It shall be the duty of such committee to investigate and study the operation of the state hospital as affected and influenced by the board of administration and to formulate recommendations, based on such investigation, for efficient and improved operation and administration of such institution. The committee's recommendations shall be submitted to the board of administration who shall endeavor to carry out such recommendations. The committee members shall not be reimbursed for their expenses incurred as a result of any meetings or investigations necessitated by this resolution.

Filed March 18, 1963.