

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3029

Introduced by

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Senators Cook, Robinson

1 A concurrent resolution acknowledging the service and sacrifice of the brave Americans,
2 including North Dakotans, who contributed to the historic victory of freedom and democracy
3 over tyranny and oppression.

4 **WHEREAS**, the United States was beset with the threat of attack and war from the
5 former Soviet Union virtually from the day that World War II ended in Europe; and

6 **WHEREAS**, this constant threat required the United States to maintain a strong military
7 presence around the world for over 45 years; and

8 **WHEREAS**, hundreds of thousands of America's men and women, including thousands
9 of North Dakotans, answered the need by serving in the military, many of them as draftees,
10 because of the former Soviet Union's threat that they would "bury" us; and

11 **WHEREAS**, this constant vigil led to the downfall of the Soviet Union, without a nuclear
12 holocaust, in August 1991, and the rebirth of several democratic states within the former Union
13 of Soviet Socialist Republics; and

14 **WHEREAS**, proper recognition has never been given these brave service persons who
15 maintained the military presence of the United States around the world;

16 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**
17 **OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:**

18 That the Legislative Assembly acknowledge the service and sacrifice of the brave
19 Americans, including North Dakotans who contributed to the historic victory of freedom and
20 democracy over tyranny and oppression; and

21 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State send a copy of this resolution
22 to the adjutant of the North Dakota departments of the American Legion; the AMVETS -
23 American Veterans of World War II, Korea, and Vietnam; the Disabled American Veterans; the
24 Ex-POW Association; the International War Veterans Alliance; and the Veterans of Foreign
25 Wars.