

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3024

Introduced by

Representatives Delmore, Glassheim, Klein

Senators Holmberg, Krebsbach, Triplett

1 A concurrent resolution in support of the Congressional Delegation's efforts to maintain and
2 enhance military force structure and missions in this state and support of state and local
3 officials in their efforts to keep this state a first-class place for members of the armed forces to
4 live and work.

5 **WHEREAS**, the military bases and military units located in North Dakota have a major
6 impact on the state's economy; and

7 **WHEREAS**, the Minuteman III intercontinental ballistic missiles located at Minot Air
8 Force Base have been a critical component of America's strategic deterrent for over 50 years
9 and will remain so far into the future; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Minot's B-52s, the military's most cost-effective bombers, are being used
11 extensively in the global war on terrorism and cutting the B-52 fleet could leave the United
12 States with a shortfall in bombers until the time when a new long-range bomber enters the
13 inventory; and

14 **WHEREAS**, Grand Forks Air Force Base is transitioning to become a center in the
15 emerging field of unmanned aerial systems and the Happy Hooligans in Fargo are transitioning
16 to two of the Air Force's most important new missions--Predator unmanned aerial vehicles and
17 future joint cargo aircraft; and

18 **WHEREAS**, the North Dakota Army National Guard has been heavily engaged in the
19 war on terror since 2001; and

20 **WHEREAS**, the North Dakota Congressional Delegation's efforts helped maintain
21 military missions at all of North Dakota's military bases during the 2005 base realignment and
22 closure round;

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

Sixtieth
Legislative Assembly

1 That the Sixtieth Legislative Assembly supports the Congressional Delegation's efforts
2 to maintain and enhance military force structure and missions in this state and supports state
3 and local officials in their efforts to keep this state a first-class place for members of the armed
4 forces to live and work; and

5 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this
6 resolution to each member of the North Dakota Congressional Delegation, the Governor, the
7 Adjutant General of North Dakota, to the officer in charge of each air force base in this state,
8 and the North Dakota League of Cities.