

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4012

Introduced by

Senators J. Lee, Krebsbach, Nelson

Representatives Delmore, Gulleson, L. Meier

1 A concurrent resolution declaring Friday, February 2, 2007, "Go Red Day" in North Dakota and
2 encouraging all citizens to wear red to raise awareness of cardiovascular disease.

3 **WHEREAS**, heart disease and stroke are the number one and number four killers of
4 women over the age of 25; and

5 **WHEREAS**, 53 percent of all cardiovascular disease deaths occur in females, and each
6 year approximately 32,800 more females than males die from stroke; and

7 **WHEREAS**, in 2004 heart disease and stroke accounted for 39.1 percent of all deaths
8 in females in North Dakota; and

9 **WHEREAS**, in 2004 heart disease and stroke killed more females in North Dakota than
10 the next five causes of death combined; and

11 **WHEREAS**, in 2007 the anticipated direct and indirect cost of cardiovascular diseases
12 and stroke in the United States is estimated to be \$431.8 billion; and

13 **WHEREAS**, heart disease and stroke are largely preventable with early detection and
14 prevention; and

15 **WHEREAS**, Go Red For Women is the American Heart Association's national call to
16 increase awareness of heart disease and to inspire women to take charge of their heart health;
17 and

18 **WHEREAS**, all women should learn their own personal risk for heart disease, using
19 tools such as the American Heart Association's Go Red For Women Heart CheckUp and by
20 talking to their health care providers; and

21 **WHEREAS**, the American Heart Association and the Dakota Medical Association are
22 committed to public education and professional education about the risk factors for heart
23 disease and stroke and to take action to reduce, control, or prevent as many risk factors as
24 possible; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Go Red North Dakota, a three-year, \$1.2 million initiative of the American
2 Heart Association and Dakota Medical Foundation, launches in 2007 to improve the
3 cardiovascular health of women and their families;

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

6 That the Sixtieth Legislative Assembly expresses support for the Go Red North Dakota
7 Initiative and commends the broad range of private and public sector partners from the state
8 and local levels for their hard work to improve the heart health of women and their families; and

9 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Sixtieth Legislative Assembly declares Friday,
10 February 2, 2007, "Go Red Day" and encourages all citizens to wear red to raise awareness of
11 cardiovascular disease; and

12 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this
13 resolution to the Governor, statewide Go Red spokesperson First Lady Mikey Hoeven, the
14 Dakota Medical Foundation, the American Heart Association, and each member of the North
15 Dakota Congressional Delegation.