

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4018

Introduced by

Senator J. Lee

Representative Boucher

1 A concurrent resolution expressing support for long-term care choices, including home and
2 community-based services, for North Dakotans with disabilities and older adults.

3 **WHEREAS**, the public interest would best be served by a broad array of long-term care
4 services that promote individual autonomy, dignity, and choice for older adults and those with
5 disabilities, including more home and community-based services to give all North Dakotans who
6 are older adults or who have a disability, free choice in planning and managing their lives; and

7 **WHEREAS**, the Legislative Assembly recognizes that nursing home care is also a
8 critical part of the state's long-term care continuum and that such services should continue to
9 promote individual dignity, autonomy, and a homelike environment to the greatest extent
10 possible;

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

13 That the Sixtieth Legislative Assembly supports long-term care choices, including home
14 and community-based services, for North Dakotans with disabilities and older adults to:

- 15 1. Plan and manage their own lives to the greatest extent possible;
- 16 2. Participate in the planning and operation of community-based services;
- 17 3. Receive information that will allow them to make informed care decisions;
- 18 4. Choose to remain in their communities and in their homes when appropriate to
19 their needs and when it can be reasonably accommodated taking into account the
20 resources available to the state and the needs of others with disabilities;
- 21 5. Meet their needs through a care system in a culturally sensitive way;
- 22 6. Support family members and other persons providing voluntary care; and
- 23 7. Make care choices from a long-term care continuum that is visible, trusted, and
24 easily accessed.