

Introduced by

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(Approved by the Delayed Bills Committee)

1 A concurrent resolution recognizing the placement of North Dakota's first marker on the Great  
2 Western Cattle Trail.

3 **WHEREAS**, the Great Western Cattle Trail was blazed in 1874 by John T. Lytle; and

4 **WHEREAS**, by 1879, the Great Western Cattle Trail was the principal thoroughfare for  
5 Texas longhorns bound for the northern markets; and

6 **WHEREAS**, by the time of the last drive, in 1893, the Great Western Cattle Trail had  
7 served approximately seven million cattle, hundreds of trail bosses, chuckwagons, and  
8 remudas; achieved almost mythical stature on the American frontier; and solidified its place in  
9 the history of Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, South Dakota, North Dakota, and the  
10 province of Saskatchewan; and

11 **WHEREAS**, in 2003, Rotary clubs launched a project to mark the entire Great Western  
12 Cattle Trail with concrete posts placed every 6 to 10 miles; and

13 **WHEREAS**, on May 1, 2008, Rotary District 5580 will proudly place the state's first  
14 marker in Medora, North Dakota;

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

17 That the North Dakota Legislative Assembly is proud to recognize the cooperative  
18 efforts of the Rotary clubs and districts and the citizens of the multiple states stretching from  
19 southern Texas to the far northern reaches of the Dakotas and Saskatchewan and is equally  
20 proud to commemorate the placement of North Dakota's first trail marker and thereby  
21 acknowledge for all time the legendary role of the Great Western Cattle Trail in the history of  
22 our states and our people; and

23 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward a copy of this  
24 resolution to the governor of Rotary District 5580.