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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3064 (Representatives J. Kelsh, Amerman, Hawken, S. Kelsh) (Senators Flakoll, Mathern) (Approved by the Delayed Bills Committee)

A concurrent resolution supporting Congress in its efforts to obtain the release of Roxana Saberi.

WHEREAS, Roxana Saberi has worked as a reporter for a number of international news organizations; and

WHEREAS, Roxana Saberi has been detained in Iran since January under the claim that she was engaged in "illegal" activities because she continued working in Iran after the government revoked her press credentials; and

WHEREAS, Roxana Saberi is being held in Evin Prison, which has been referred to by the British Broadcasting Corporation as Iran's most notorious prison; and

WHEREAS, Roxana Saberi has been allowed only one brief telephone contact with her family; and

WHEREAS, Roxana Saberi grew up in Fargo, North Dakota, graduated from Concordia College, and is known to many residents as a former reporter for KVLY-TV and a former Miss North Dakota;

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

That the Legislative Assembly supports Congress in all of its efforts to obtain the release of Roxana Saberi and ensure her safe return to the United States and her return to the family members, friends, colleagues, and thousands of supporters and well-wishers who daily keep her in their thoughts and prayers; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this resolution to the family of Roxana Saberi and to each member of the North Dakota Congressional Delegation.

 Speaker of the House
 President of the Senate

 Chief Clerk of the House
 Secretary of the Senate

 Filed in this office this ______ day of ______, 2009, at ______ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State