Sixty-fourth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

## **HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3026**

Introduced by

Representatives Kasper, Beadle, Boschee, Guggisberg, Hanson, Hawken, Hogan, M. Johnson, Thoreson

Senators Davison, Sinner, Sorvaag

- 1 A concurrent resolution recognizing February 14, 2015, as "National Socks for the Homeless 2 Day" in North Dakota. 3 WHEREAS, according to data released by the Department of Housing and Urban 4 Development, in 2013, there were 2,069 homeless individuals in this state and more than 5 600,000 across the nation; and 6 WHEREAS, clean, dry socks are a basic need and a lack of socks can result in frostbite, 7 blisters, ulcer formations, and even amputation; and 8 WHEREAS, clean, dry socks serve to decrease the likelihood of fungal and bacterial 9 infections that can be harbored in a shoe liner and lead to cellulitis: and 10 WHEREAS, clean, dry socks protect feet from the internal structures of shoes and help to 11 insulate feet from cold surfaces; and 12 WHEREAS, new socks for children can mean not having splinters, and not having fungal 13 toenail infections, which can result from borrowing other children's shoes or wearing donated 14 hand-me-downs without socks; and 15 WHEREAS, socks can make so much difference for a homeless individual; and 16 WHEREAS, single mothers and children who have one pair of socks, which can last only so 17 long, are given dignity when they own new, nontattered socks; and 18 WHEREAS, clothing donations for the homeless and the needy rarely include socks; and 19 WHEREAS, it is important to raise awareness regarding the plight of homeless individuals 20 and the medical problems associated with being homeless and sockless; 21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF
- 24 Socks for the Homeless Day" in North Dakota; and

NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

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That the Sixty-fourth Legislative Assembly recognizes February 14, 2015, as "National

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- 1 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward a copy of this resolution
- 2 to the North Dakota Coalition for Homeless People.