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Sixty-eighth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

**FIRST ENGROSSMENT**

# ENGROSSED SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4005

Introduced by

Senators Vedaa, Hogue, J. Roers

Representatives Kreidt, Lefor, Nathe

A concurrent resolution urging Congress and the Director of the United States Mint to issue commemorative silver and gold coins to commemorate Theodore Roosevelt and the opening of the Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library.

**WHEREAS**, Theodore Roosevelt was an American statesman, conservationist, historian, and writer, who served as the 26th President of the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, before becoming President of the United States, Theodore Roosevelt ranched and hunted in the 1880s near Medora, North Dakota and is credited with saying, "I never would have been President if it had not been for my experiences in North Dakota"; and

**WHEREAS**, after becoming President, Theodore Roosevelt used his authority to protect wildlife and public lands by creating the United States Forest Service and establishing 150 national forests, 51 federal bird reserves, 4 national game preserves, 5 national parks, and 18 national monuments by enabling the 1906 American Antiquities Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sixty-sixth Legislative Assembly approved an endowment for a proposed Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum in 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, the Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library will be a museum and facility for the records of Theodore Roosevelt and will be located at a site to the west of Medora, near the Theodore Roosevelt National Park; and

**WHEREAS**, the Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library is expected to be open to the public in 2026; and

**WHEREAS**, Theodore Roosevelt's legacy, his contributions to America's history, and the opening of the Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library should be celebrated and commemorated;

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

That the Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly urges Congress and the Director of the United States Mint to issue commemorative silver and gold coins to commemorate Theodore Roosevelt and the opening of the Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward a copy of this resolution to each member of the North Dakota Congressional Delegation and the Director of the United States Mint.