

Please vote YES on SCR 4014 to support humane, scientifically recommended methods of managing these wild horses on the public lands they call home.

Wild horses are part of the scenery, aid native wildlife, and give the wilderness qualities to the Park that visitors adore— President Theodore Roosevelt and visitors today are inspired by the horses and the park, and the Teddy Roosevelt horses are North Dakota's only wild horse herd and should be protected and promoted as such. Less than 150 horses will not ensure a genetically viable herd—and the larger herd will bring more benefits to the state than killing them for pet food will do. SCR 4014 will help support ecotourism and business development in North Dakota by protecting the horses. They are descendants of the original Badland horses that trace all the way back to the horses surrendered by Sitting Bull in the late 1800s. I travel to many state parks including in North Dakota. If these historically important horses are removed, I will not spend tourism dollars in the state. Please note that many people agree with me: SCR 4014 is consistent with the wishes of 80 percent of Americans who want wild horses protected.

With thanks for your attention to this comment,

Best wishes,

Judith Worrall