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North Dakota Wild Horses 03/10/23

AGENDA

Treatment of North Dakota's Wild Horses/SCR4014

NOTES:

Wild horses are integral to the scenery, native wildlife, and wilderness qualities of the Park – the landscape that inspired President Theodore Roosevelt and still inspires visitors today.

Answer: As such, it should behoove us all to maintain park pieces and not disrupt the fragile nature hierarchy.

The horses in the Park are descendants of the original Badland horses with historical lineages that trace all the way back to the horses surrendered by Sitting Bull in the late 1800s.

Answer: These horses are remnants of American history that should be taught in American schools.

The Teddy Roosevelt horses are North Dakota's only wild horse herd and should be protected as such.

Answer: Something so unique should be protected, not maligned or removed.

The Teddy Roosevelt herd must be kept at a minimum of 150 horses in order to ensure a genetically viable herd.

Answer: North Dakota is the owner of these horses, and must, they absolutely must be responsible and humane in all herd management practices, putting the welfare of these animals before their own needs.

SCR 4014 will help support ecotourism and business development in North Dakota by protecting the horses.

Answer: those avenues bring in much needed tax revenue that can be put toward the care and keeping of these magnificent creatures and the lands they call home.

SCR 4014 is consistent with the wishes of 80 percent of Americans who want wild horses protected.

Answer: Putting the wishes of the majority of Americans is good both politically, economically and morally.

If the horses are removed, I will not spend tourism dollars in the state.

Answer: I will spend my money in surrounding states, and permanently boycott your state.

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

Bold items are my own opinions.