

To the North Dakota Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources;

My husband and I are in support of SCR 4014.

Wild horses are part of our landscape, they are living breathing beautiful creatures that have been roaming our land for hundreds of years. The fact that they should be rounded up is very repulsive. We know what happens to them, they can't be adopted, they are wild. They are frightened, separated from their families, then most die or are slaughtered.

These horses are an integral part of the Park that President Roosevelt intended. They are descendants of the original Badland horses with great lineage dating beyond the time of Sitting Bull.

SCR 4014 will help support ecotourism, it's found that 80% of Americans want wild Mustangs protected. Please vote YES to SCR 4014. There are scientific humane methods for managing wild horses. It's a crime to intimately kill them.

Thank you for reading our testimony,
Michelle and Bill Marhoefer