

## **Testimony on HCR 3020 – In Opposition**

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My name is Jacqueline Beller and I am a Fargo resident in D46.

I am a Christian, but I find this HCR to be quite offensive.

It asks all ND House Representatives to profess allegiance to a faith that isn't necessarily their own. It is exclusionary and heavy-handed. It excludes our brothers and sisters of different faith traditions (or no faith tradition), all of which are just as valid as Christianity.

North Dakota is not a "Christian State." People of all religions and those who have no religion can be elected the ND House of Representatives.

There is a separation of Church and State in this country for a reason. Bringing up Jesus when doing the work of the Legislature makes little sense.