

I am writing to support SCR 4006, which urges the U.S. Congress to pass federal legislation to protect the historic wild horse herd in TRNP. I hope this resolution will show Congress that these wild horses are important to North Dakotans and all Americans as an integral part of this popular national park. This model would help ensure the wild horses remain a treasured part of North Dakota's landscape.

Here is more detail on why I believe this herd should be preserved.

- **These Horses Are a Living Tribute to Theodore Roosevelt**

They symbolize Roosevelt's conservation legacy and the untamed spirit of the American West. Protecting them honors the park's namesake and his contributions to public land preservation.

- **They Have No Federal Protection**

Unlike other wild horse herds, TRNP's horses are not covered under the Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act. Without protection, they can be removed at any time.

- **Wild Horses Boost North Dakota's Economy**

These horses are a major tourism draw, bringing visitors to Medora and surrounding areas. Their removal could negatively impact local businesses and jobs.

- **Public Support Is Overwhelming**

North Dakotans and people across the country, such as myself, want these horses protected. SCR 4006 will encourage the U.S. Congress to recognize and act on this broad support by passing federal legislation that ensures the TRNP herd remains wild.