

My name is Lyndsay Little and I am a concerned citizen and wild horse advocate of the United States. I am testifying for the federal protection of the Theodore Roosevelt National Park wild horses through SCR 4006.

The wild horses of Theodore Roosevelt National Park are a symbol of American Freedom. Although some sources state otherwise, the nation's wild horse bands have shown to benefit the environment, not degrade it. Throughout the past few years, mustang advocacy groups have created rewilding projects. Under the projects, the environment is thriving and more animal species have returned to the land.

I am sharing this because it is important to me, as well as the rest of our nation, that these horses are protected. Theodore Roosevelt National Park named after the United States' twenty sixth president for his conservation heritage. Therefore, the horses are connected to this piece of environmentally and culturally diverse land, roaming and thriving here even before the park's creation. Americans care about their symbolic freedom, of which these wild horses are a part of.

Passing SCR 4006 will establish federal protection for the wild horses of Theodore Roosevelt National Park allowing them to thrive and benefit the land's diverse species. This bill will also protect this mustang herd through conservation, consisting of humane efforts, not round ups.