

In support of SCR 4006

As a lifelong supporter of keeping America's wild horses healthy and free, I submit my testimony to support the above legislation.

This historic herd is a living and (hopefully) continuing tribute to the efforts of Theodore Roosevelt, our 26th president who worked tirelessly to ensure our wild places remained wild and free.

- Currently, these horses in Theodore Roosevelt's National Park have no protection.

TRNP's horses are not covered under the Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act. Without protection, they can be removed from their homeland at any time.

- In addition, wild horses are a boost to the economy of North Dakota.

These horses are a major draw for tourists, bringing visitors to Medora as well as surrounding areas. Their removal could and almost certainly would be a financial detriment to local businesses and jobs.

- Public support for these horses is overwhelming.

North Dakotans and Americans across the country are in favor of these horses being protected.