

You might remember seeing horses running wild when you were younger, either on TV or in person. It stirs the mind of a child and as an adult that memory should never fade, it keeps you young. That memory is a foundation of why we call the Plains home. Last year, my wife discovered a national park coloring book for adults. For Roosevelt national park, the Nokota wild horses were highlighted. I drove up from Sheridan Wyoming last October to view the round up, the couple of pictures I took, I sent to officials. This is not how we want the public to view our west. Tourists come, visit, and they return to their homes. Some may even have a picture with the horses in the background on their Christmas cards, others “pop the question” with the horses in the distance. We create memories here; they vacation where we live.

WE have the opportunity to watch elders, children, and generations of people from all over enjoy this. We can make history for generations to come. Protecting the Wild horses in TRNP may not make into history books, but someone, some family, some tour group generations from now will visit TRNP, and because of the outstanding leadership here in the State of North Dakota, they will see why this is where the horses stay wild. Let this be a time in this states great history to Be Legendary.