

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO.

Introduced by

Representative Froelich

(Approved by the Delayed Bills Committee)

1 A concurrent resolution urging Congress to enact legislation to transfer lands around Lake
2 Oahe, excluding lands adjoining the Standing Rock Reservation, owned by the United States,
3 through the Army Corps of Engineers, to the state of North Dakota.

4 **WHEREAS**, the economy and well-being of the residents of North Dakota is dependent
5 upon agriculture; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the United States, through the Army Corps of Engineers, has acquired
7 certain lands around Lake Oahe; and

8 **WHEREAS**, the Army Corps of Engineers has failed to control weeds and manage this
9 land properly; and

10 **WHEREAS**, this failure to control weeds on land managed by the Army Corps of
11 Engineers is a public nuisance and jeopardizes the public health, safety, and general welfare of
12 the citizens of North Dakota; and

13 **WHEREAS**, this land would be better managed if it were under the control of the state
14 of North Dakota, through the Board of University and School Lands;

15 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**
16 **OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:**

17 That the Sixty-first Legislative Assembly urges the Congress of the United States to
18 enact legislation to transfer lands around Lake Oahe, excluding lands adjoining the Standing
19 Rock Reservation, owned by the United States, through the Army Corps of Engineers, to the
20 state of North Dakota; and

21 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this
22 resolution to each member of the North Dakota Congressional Delegation.