

Introduced by

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1 A concurrent resolution recognizing the need for viable and sustainable agricultural practices in
2 this state.

3 **WHEREAS**, in 2000 the world population was 6 billion and by 2025 it is predicted to
4 reach 8 billion--an increase of 33 percent; and

5 **WHEREAS**, in 1965 there were 1.1 acres of arable land per person and by 2025 there
6 will be under 0.5 acre per person available for food production; and

7 **WHEREAS**, in order to accommodate the food needs of a growing world population, it
8 will be important that agricultural producers having operations of all sizes and types explore
9 ways to improve their management practices and focus on using inputs and resources in the
10 most effective and efficient ways possible; and

11 **WHEREAS**, in order for present-day agricultural producers to leave a legacy of rich,
12 fertile, and productive land to future generations, they should be encouraged to consider
13 incorporating, in their production practices, both the latest scientific research findings and
14 emerging technologies;

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

17 That the Sixty-first Legislative Assembly recognizes that agricultural producers of all
18 sizes and types should be encouraged to pursue effective and efficient practices, in order to
19 ensure that agriculture remains viable and sustainable for multiple generations yet to come;
20 and

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