

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4008

Introduced by

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1 A concurrent resolution designating May 1 as "Cold War Victory Day".

2 **WHEREAS**, the Cold War lasted from 1945 to the Soviet Union's breakup in 1991 and
3 prevented total nuclear war; and

4 **WHEREAS**, during this time the Cold War turned hot with the Korean War and the Vietnam
5 War and sparked conflicts in Lebanon and Grenada; and

6 **WHEREAS**, between flareups, on duty members of the military did not do battle and are not
7 properly recognized for their service to the United States; and

8 **WHEREAS**, this service included being on alert when Egypt claimed the Suez Canal in
9 1956, manning missile silos in North Dakota, piloting B52s aimed at Soviet targets, staffing
10 nuclear-armed submarines, driving tanks in the Fulda Gap between West and East Germany,
11 and other activities, some of which are still secret; and

12 **WHEREAS**, May 1 is an appropriate day for "Cold War Victory Day" because it is the same
13 day as May Day in communist countries;

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

16 That the Sixty-third Legislative Assembly designates May 1 as "Cold War Victory Day"; and

17 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward enrolled copies of this
18 resolution to the Governor; the American Legion; the Veterans of Foreign Wars; the American
19 Veterans (AMVETS); the Disabled American Veterans; the veterans of World War II, Korea, and
20 Vietnam; and the Vietnam Veterans of America.