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Committees: Agriculture Judiciary Chairman Weis and Members of the House Human Services Committee,

Good afternoon, for the record my name is Ruth Buffalo and I represent the people of District 27 in south Fargo.

The intent of this study resolution is to add to the body of knowledge and work put forth by our great state of North Dakota with regards to COVID-19.

After a full year of being in a pandemic, these questions come to mind:

- What are the lessons learned and how do we do better next time?
- How do we be more effective?
- How can we minimize economic impact? Maximize preparedness?
- Determine messaging channels that will provide consistent accurate information?
- How do we document, reflect and evaluate these processes, how do we improve moving forward?
- Best practices, this is what we did, this is what we did well, is there areas we can improve upon?

North Dakota is known for being a leader throughout the country in many areas, this study will provide an opportunity for us to lead the way once again in research.

I am hopeful this study resolution when completed will provide recommendations for improving overall population health.

Please give HCR 3044 a do pass recommendation.

Mr. Chairman and Members of the House Human Services Committee, this concludes my testimony, I am happy to stand for questions.

Thank you.