

Introduced by

Senators Boschee, Patten, Rummel

Representatives Lefor, J. Olson, Steiner

1 A concurrent resolution urging Congress to establish federal protections for the wild horse herd
2 at Theodore Roosevelt National Park.

3 **WHEREAS**, Theodore Roosevelt was an American statesman, conservationist, historian,
4 and writer, who served as the twenty-sixth President of the United States; and

5 **WHEREAS**, in 1978, Theodore Roosevelt National Park became the only national park
6 named directly for a single person; and

7 **WHEREAS**, the wild horse herd, which was present during Theodore Roosevelt's era and
8 contributes to the historical setting and the culture of North Dakota, should be preserved as part
9 of our state's history; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the wild horses of Theodore Roosevelt National Park bring tourism and
11 economic benefits to the state; and

12 **WHEREAS**, there are significant concerns regarding the management of the wild horse
13 herd by Theodore Roosevelt National Park and the long-term health and preservation of the
14 herd;

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

17 That the Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly urges Congress to enact legislation establishing
18 federal protections for the wild horse herd of Theodore Roosevelt National Park to ensure the
19 long-term health and preservation of the herd for generations to come; and

20 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this resolution
21 to the Secretary of the Interior, the Director of the National Park Service, the Superintendent of
22 the Theodore Roosevelt National Park, the House Subcommittee on Public Lands and
23 Environmental Regulation, the Senate Subcommittee on National Parks, and to each member
24 of the North Dakota Congressional Delegation.