

# SENATE CONCURRENT MEMORIAL RESOLUTION

## CHAPTER 859

SENATE CONCURRENT MEMORIAL RESOLUTION NO. 1  
(Senators Holmberg, Goodman)  
(Representatives Kuchera, Strinden)

### DEATHS OF UNITED STATES AIR FORCE PERSONNEL

A concurrent memorial resolution honoring the United States Air Force service personnel who in the performance of their duties lost their lives at the Grand Forks Air Force Base.

WHEREAS, many fine young men and women are serving to protect our country as members of the United States Air Force; and

WHEREAS, on January 27, 1983, at the Grand Forks Air Force Base a B-52G Stratofortress aircraft exploded and burst into flames killing five persons and injuring eight others; and

WHEREAS, it is the intention of the Forty-eighth Legislative Assembly, as representative of all North Dakota citizens, to pay special tribute to those brave, courageous, and loyal persons who have made the supreme sacrifice which men and women of their stature have been called throughout our country's history to make for the right to be free;

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

That the Forty-eighth Legislative Assembly hereby pays solemn tribute to the following individuals for their sacrifice in giving their lives to help keep the United States free:

Airman 1st Class Robin D. Rise, Fremont, Nebraska

Airman 1st Class Michael F. McDonald, Bloomington, Illinois

Sr. Airman Robert W. Gray, Sterling, Virginia

Airman 1st Class Anthony M. Salva, Chicago, Illinois

Sr. Airman Scott A. Wicik, Tony, Wisconsin

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all North Dakota citizens extend their sorrow and deepest sympathy to the parents, spouses, and

relatives of these brave people, and express their firm belief that they did not die in vain; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State send enrolled copies of this resolution to the parents and spouses of these persons to whom the people of North Dakota and this country owe so much, to the Commander of Grand Forks Air Force Base, and to the Commander of the 319th Bomb Wing.

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