Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

## **SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4005**

Introduced by

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Senators Vedaa, Hogue, J. Roers

Representatives Kreidt, Lefor, Nathe

1 A concurrent resolution urging Congress and the Director of the United States Mint to issue 2 commemorative silver and gold coins to commemorate Theodore Roosevelt and the opening of 3 the Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library. 4 WHEREAS, Theodore Roosevelt was an American statesman, conservationist, historian, 5 and writer, who served as the 26th President of the United States; and 6 WHEREAS, before becoming President of the United States, Theodore Roosevelt ranched 7 and hunted in the 1880s near Medora, North Dakota and is credited with saying, "I never would 8 have been President if it had not been for my experiences in North Dakota"; and 9 WHEREAS, after becoming President, Theodore Roosevelt used his authority to protect 10 wildlife and public lands by creating the United States Forest Service and establishing 11 150 national forests, 51 federal bird reserves, 4 national game preserves, 5 national parks, and 12 18 national monuments by enabling the 1906 American Antiquities Act; and 13 WHEREAS, the Sixty-sixth Legislative Assembly approved an endowment for a proposed 14 Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum in 2019; and 15 WHEREAS, the Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library will be a museum and facility for 16 the records of Theodore Roosevelt and will be located at a site to the west of Medora, near the 17 Theodore Roosevelt National Park: and 18 WHEREAS, the Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library is expected to be open to the 19 public in 2025; and 20 WHEREAS, Theodore Roosevelt's legacy, his contributions to America's history, and the 21 opening of the Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library should be celebrated and 22 commemorated;

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE

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- 1 That the Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly urges Congress and the Director of the United
- 2 States Mint to issue commemorative silver and gold coins to commemorate Theodore
- 3 Roosevelt and the opening of the Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library; and
- 4 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward a copy of this resolution
- 5 to each member of the North Dakota Congressional Delegation and the Director of the United
- 6 States Mint.