

**Sixty-first Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 6, 2009**

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3032
(Representatives Headland, Belter, Berg, Nathe, Thoreson, Weiler)

A concurrent resolution urging Congress, the President, and the North Dakota Congressional Delegation to resist efforts to increase income taxes for individuals, including increases by allowing existing reductions to expire; to permanently eliminate the alternative minimum tax; to reject efforts to increase capital gains taxes; and to consider elimination of capital gains taxes on sales of residential property.

WHEREAS, most North Dakotans believe that increasing individual income taxes for any individual is the wrong approach to improving the national economy and North Dakotans have found that the best way to allow the state economy to grow is by avoiding tax increases; and

WHEREAS, allowing existing income tax reduction provisions to expire is an income tax increase, regardless of what rhetoric is used to avoid calling it an increase; and

WHEREAS, the alternative minimum tax was bad policy when enacted and has been allowed to become worse by inattention of Congress to the point that many unsuspecting middle income Americans are now ensnared by it for reasons no one can justify; and

WHEREAS, an increase in capital gains taxes would serve as a disincentive to individual investors at a time when investors already have very little incentive to invest in a struggling economy; and

WHEREAS, elimination of capital gains taxes on sales of residential property could bolster the ailing housing market;

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

That the Sixty-first Legislative Assembly urges the Congress of the United States, the President of the United States, and the North Dakota Congressional Delegation to resist efforts to increase income taxes for any individuals, including increases by allowing existing reductions to expire; to permanently eliminate the alternative minimum tax; to reject efforts to increase capital gains taxes; and to consider elimination of capital gains taxes on sales of residential property; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this resolution to the President, the North Dakota Congressional Delegation, and the Majority and Minority Leaders of the United States House of Representatives and the United States Senate.

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Secretary of the Senate

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2009,
at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State