

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4017

Introduced by

Senators Heckaman, Kannianen, Marcellais, Oehlke

Representatives Buffalo, Dobervich

1 A concurrent resolution ~~directing~~urging the ~~Legislative Management~~Indian Affairs Commission
2 to ~~consider studying~~study the ~~dichotomy between the~~ archaeological discipline ~~on~~, cultural
3 resources, and the knowledge and expertise of tribal elders and tribal historic preservation
4 officers to educate local, state, and federal agencies and the public; and ~~the facilitation of~~to
5 facilitate effective consultation and cooperation for historic and prehistoric site identification ~~and~~
6 ~~registration~~ and the betterment of North Dakota and its citizens.

7 **WHEREAS**, historic and prehistoric sites are significant in helping to tell the story of North
8 Dakota's history before it became a state as well as tribal history and continuity; and

9 **WHEREAS**, respectful and culturally sensitive public education can help to further the goal
10 of preserving culturally significant historic and prehistoric sites; and

11 **WHEREAS**, it is important to further mutual respect and understanding between state
12 agencies and the tribes in the state regarding historic and prehistoric cultural resource sites and
13 landscapes in North Dakota; and

14 **WHEREAS**, there is a need for state agencies, regional and private industry archaeological
15 staff, and the public to better understand the tribal perspective on the importance, treatment,
16 and protection of culturally significant historic and prehistoric sites in North Dakota; and

17 **WHEREAS**, education and discussion regarding the archaeological and tribal perspectives
18 on historic and prehistoric sites would help provide a framework for determining ~~eligibility of~~
19 ~~sites to the North Dakota State Historic Sites Registry and for nominating traditional and~~
20 culturally significant sites ~~to the National Register of Historic Places~~; and

21 **WHEREAS**, ~~state agencies, including the Department of Transportation,~~ the Indian Affairs
22 Commission, ~~the State Historic Preservation Office, and the Public Service Commission, should~~
23 ~~coordinate and consult~~is urged to consider coordinating with state agencies including the
24 Department of Transportation, State Historical Society, and Public Service Commission and to

1 | consult with tribes on identification, evaluation, and preservation of culturally significant historic
2 | and prehistoric sites;

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

5 | That the ~~Legislative Management~~Indian Affairs Commission is urged to consider studying
6 | the ~~dichotomy between the~~ archaeological discipline ~~on~~, cultural resources, and the knowledge
7 | and expertise of tribal elders and tribal historic preservation officers to educate local, state, and
8 | federal agencies and the public; and ~~the facilitation of~~to facilitate effective consultation and
9 | cooperation for historic and prehistoric site identification ~~and registration~~ and the betterment of
10 | North Dakota and its citizens;

11 | **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that if studied, the ~~Legislative Management~~Indian Affairs
12 | Commission is urged to report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation
13 | required to implement the recommendations, to the Sixty-seventh Legislative Assembly.