Sixty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4009

Introduced by

Senators Wardner, Bekkedahl, Patten

Representatives Hatlestad, Kempenich, Zubke

1 A concurrent resolution recognizing the cooperative efforts of the rotary clubs and districts, and

2 the citizens of multiple states from southern Texas to the far northern reaches of North Dakota

3 and Saskatchewan, in the completion of marking the North Dakota segment of the Great

4 Western Cattle Trail on June 27, 2021, and acknowledging the legendary role of the Great

5 Western Cattle Trail in the history of the United States.

6 WHEREAS, the Great Western Cattle Trail was blazed by John T. Lytle in 1874; and

7 WHEREAS, by 1879, the Great Western Cattle Trail was the principal thoroughfare for

8 Texas longhorns bound for the northern markets; and

9 WHEREAS, by the time of the last drive, in the 1890s, the Great Western Cattle Trail had

10 served approximately 7,000,000 cattle, hundreds of trail bosses, chuckwagons, and remudas;

11 and

12 WHEREAS, the Great Western Cattle Trail achieved almost mythical stature on the

13 American frontier, and solidified its place in the history of Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska,

14 South Dakota, and the province of Saskatchewan; and

15 WHEREAS, in 2003, rotary clubs launched a project to mark the entire Great Western

16 Cattle Trail with concrete posts placed every six to ten miles; and

17 WHEREAS, on May 1, 2008, Rotary District 5580 proudly placed the first marker in Medora,

18 North Dakota; and

19 WHEREAS, the placement of North Dakota's final trail marker was placed in Fort Buford;

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

21 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

22 That the Sixty-seventh Legislative Assembly recognizes the cooperative efforts of the rotary

23 clubs and districts, and the citizens of multiple states from southern Texas to the far northern

24 reaches of North Dakota and Saskatchewan, in the completion of marking the North Dakota

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- 1 segment of the Great Western Cattle Trail on June 27, 2021, and acknowledging the legendary
- 2 role of the Great Western Cattle Trail in the history of the United States; and
- 3 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this resolution
- 4 to each of the past governors of Rotary District 5580.