

2019 HOUSE GOVERNMENT AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

HCR 3019

2019 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Government and Veterans Affairs Committee Fort Union Room, State Capitol

HCR 3019
2/14/2019
32779

- Subcommittee
 Conference Committee

Committee Clerk: Carmen Hart

Explanation or reason for introduction of bill/resolution:

Expressing gratitude for the outstanding services provided to ND veterans by the Veterans Honor Flight of ND and MN

Minutes:

Attachments 1-5

Chairman Kasper opened the hearing on HCR 3019.

Rep. Karls appeared in support. She had Attachment 1 from Jim Schulz. She also read something from the honorable flight website (:14-2:43)

Rep. Schneider: Does the state have any involvement in it financially?

Rep. Karls: I believe it is all fundraising.

Senator Richard Marcellais appeared in support. Attachments 2-3. He also shared a few highlights and pictures of an honor flight. Attachment 4 was an amendment. (4:02-14:51)

Rep. Rohr: Do you have to be a veteran to be on the medical team?

Senator Marcellais: Some of the medical team were veterans that volunteer. We did have other nurses that were not veterans that volunteered.

Rep. Laning inquired about wearing the headdress and getting it on the plane, and Senator Marcellais responded. (17:58)

Robert Gregoire, Bismarck, appeared in support. He was able to attend the honor flight. I am a Vietnam veteran and never felt like I was accepted as a military man that was successful. After I attended, I did not have those same thoughts. (22:27)

David Erbstoesser, Bismarck, appeared in support. I had the honor to go on this flight. (23:48)

Attachment 5 was emailed from Mr. Jim Nelson, ND Veterans' Legislative Council, in support.

Chairman Kasper closed the hearing.

Rep. Karls moved the amendment.

Rep. Rohr seconded the motion.

Voice vote. Motion carries.

Rep. Laning made a motion for a DO PASS AS AMENDED.

Vice Chair Steiner seconded the motion.

Rep. Louser: I have to believe that these flights are worth more to the participants than any discount we can give in a product or service in our state.

A roll call vote was taken. 14-0, 0 absent.

Rep. Karls will carry the bill.

February 11, 2019

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3019

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Renumber accordingly

Date: 2-14-19
 Roll Call Vote #: 1

2019 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE
ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HCR 3019

House Government and Veterans Affairs Committee

Subcommittee

Amendment LC# or Description: 19.3048.02001

Recommendation: Adopt Amendment
 Do Pass Do Not Pass Without Committee Recommendation
 As Amended Rerefer to Appropriations
 Place on Consent Calendar

Other Actions: Reconsider _____

Motion Made By Rep. Karls Seconded By Rep. Rohr

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman Jim Kasper			Rep. Pamela Anderson		
Vice Chair Vicky Steiner			Rep. Mary Schneider		
Rep. Jeff Hoverson					
Rep. Craig Johnson					
Rep. Daniel Johnston					
Rep. Karen Karls					
Rep. Ben Koppelman					
Rep. Vernon Laning					
Rep. Scott Louser					
Rep. Karen Rohr					
Rep. Austen Schauer					
Rep. Steve Vetter					

*Vote
 motion
 carries*

Total (Yes) _____ No _____

Absent _____

Floor Assignment _____

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

Date: 2-14-19
 Roll Call Vote #: 2

**2019 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE
 ROLL CALL VOTES
 BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HCR 3019**

House Government and Veterans Affairs Committee

Subcommittee

Amendment LC# or Description: _____

Recommendation: Adopt Amendment
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 Place on Consent Calendar

Other Actions: Reconsider _____

Motion Made By Rep. Laning Seconded By Rep. Steiner

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman Jim Kasper	X		Rep. Pamela Anderson	X	
Vice Chair Vicky Steiner	X		Rep. Mary Schneider	X	
Rep. Jeff Hoverson	X				
Rep. Craig Johnson	X				
Rep. Daniel Johnston	X				
Rep. Karen Karls	X				
Rep. Ben Koppelman	X				
Rep. Vernon Laning	X				
Rep. Scott Louser	X				
Rep. Karen Rohr	X				
Rep. Austen Schauer	X				
Rep. Steve Vetter	X				

Total (Yes) 14 No 0

Absent 0

Floor Assignment Rep. Karls

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HCR 3019: Government and Veterans Affairs Committee (Rep. Kasper, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (14 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HCR 3019 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

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2019 SENATE GOVERNMENT AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

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2019 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Government and Veterans Affairs Committee Sheyenne River Room, State Capitol

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3/28/2019
#34329

- Subcommittee
 Conference Committee

Committee Clerk: Pam Dever

Explanation or reason for introduction of bill/resolution:

To express gratitude for the outstanding services provided to N.D. veterans by the Veterans Honor Flight of N.D. and M.N. and the N.D. Native Veterans Honor Flight.

Minutes:

Att # 1 – Rep Karls; Att # 2 – Sen Marcellais;

Chairman Davison: Let's open HCR3019.

Rep. Karen Karls, Dist 35, Bismarck: I am here to introduce this resolution. My veteran friend is with me, and he wanted to thank all the people who helped with the Honor Flight. (see att # 1) (2.38) Any questions?

Sen. Richard Marcellais: (see att # 2) I am here in support and I was on the Honor Flight last year. It was amazing and very emotional. I brought my photo album with me. You need to raise \$150,000 for an Honor Flight. (5.30) The veteran is free and a family member or friend would be \$750. I found out that the registration never asked for a DD214 which is an honorable discharge. I think that should be changed. We put that in our application that is now a requirement on our flight. (7.08) I have never seen so many men cry before until we were at the wall in D.C.

John Jacobson: I am in support. I have a big picture of the Honor Flight for Sen. Marcellais of the group in front of the memorial. It was a wonderful trip. I was mobilized at age 51 for Desert Storm, too.

Robert Macregoire: I went on the Honor Flight. The ages ranged from 26 to 96. As a Vietnam vet, this was a heart pounding event for me. The Century band played when we got back from the trip at the airport and it was amazing. (15.56)

Chairman Davison: Thank you. Any more testimony? Agency? Against? Hearing is closed.

2019 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Government and Veterans Affairs Committee
Sheyenne River Room, State Capitol

HCR3019
3/28/2019
34333

- Subcommittee
 Conference Committee

Committee Clerk: Pam Dever

Explanation or reason for introduction of bill/resolution:

Expressing gratitude for the outstanding services provided to N.D. veterans by the Veterans Honor Flight of N.D. and M.N. and the N.D. Native Honor Flight.

Minutes:

Chairman Davison: What are the committee wishes?

Vice Chair Meyer: I move a DO PASS.

Sen. Erin Oban: I second.

Chairman Davison: Call roll: YES -- 7 NO -- 0 -0-absent.

HCR3019 PASSED.

Sen. Richard Marcellais will carry the bill.

3-28-19

Date:
Roll Call Vote #: 1

2019 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE
ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HER 3019

Senate Government and Veterans Affairs *engrossed* Committee

Subcommittee

Amendment LC# or Description: _____

Recommendation: Adopt Amendment
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 As Amended Rerefer to Appropriations
 Place on Consent Calendar
Other Actions: Reconsider _____

Motion Made By Sen. Meyer Seconded By Sen. Oban

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
Chair Davison	/		Sen. Oban	/	
Vice Chair Meyer	/		Sen. Marcellais	/	
Sen. Elkin	/				
Sen. K. Roers	/				
Sen. Vedaa	/				

Total (Yes) 7 No 0

Absent 0

Floor Assignment Sen. Marcellais

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HCR 3019, as engrossed: Government and Veterans Affairs Committee (Sen. Davison, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed HCR 3019 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

2019 TESTIMONY

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HCR 3019 Testimony -- House GVA Committee

Rep. Karen Karls, District 35, Bismarck

Honor Flight - Oct 2-3, 2016

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As an old Korean War era veteran, I was privileged to join 93 others on an awesome trip from Fargo to Washington, D.C., a direct 996-mile trip. At the Fargo airport, the extra-special volunteers provided us with a shirt, emblazoned with the term "Got Freedom?" And a neat jacket with the WDAY Honor Flight logo. An Honor Guard and well-wishers sent us on the way; even by-passing TSA security. Taxiing out to the take-off area, the Fire Dept. Gave us a "water cannon" salute; neat!

On the flight to D.C., the Sun Country staff fed us breakfast and we had "mail call" – letters from area school kids! Mine was from a Barnesville, MN first grader; touching! Prior to landing, an enthusiastic stewardess led us in singing "God Bless America"! What we lacked in singing talent was made up by our spirited patriotism!

Our arrival at Dulles international airport was overwhelming; hundreds of people greeted us with signs, clapping and hugs! It was heartening to see many young folks waving flags and stepping up to shake hands. Loaded on 4 buses, we visited the Iwo Jima Memorial on the way to Arlington National Cemetery. The Changing of the Guard ceremony gave us goose bumps. Tears were evident among the huge crowd observing our sharp, disciplined soldiers changing wreaths.

At the huge "FDR Memorial", we were wheeled around by young volunteers; I met a banker lady from Des Moines and a University of Maryland student from Minnesota. How all this was organized is mind boggling! Arriving at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Crystal City, we were given room keys and assigned a roommate. Had just enough time to wash up and put on "stink-nice" before the banquet.

After the National Anthem, we observed the POW-MIA Missing Man ceremony – more tears. After dinner, the competent and attractive WDAY TV personality, Tracy Briggs, started to introduce SSG John W. Massey Jr – operations NCOIC, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier; she was interrupted by General Colin Powell. He was at the hotel with some other group and someone asked him to stop by and visit our group. Nice of him to take the time; he got a standing ovation. SSG Massey was obviously very knowledgeable about the Arlington operation; extremely interesting.

Then we had mail call: every veteran received an envelope with many letters from friends and relatives! This amazing project was orchestrated by another super-volunteer, Craig Kaehler, from Hunter. P.S. I had 16 letters from WY, CO, MN & ND. More tears. Can you imagine the work that entailed? Such an imagination! Banquet concluded with singing the "Service Hymns" – Coast Guard, Air Force, Navy, Marines, and Army.

Having heard I was going on this adventure to DC, I contacted a cousin in the area and asked her to place an ad in the Washington Post: "Attention all granddaughters; keep your grandmothers off the streets – a large group of old veterans are coming in from Dakota and Minnesota!"

After a hearty breakfast, we boarded 4 buses – then we heard sirens – the Capitol Police had a cycle in front and a police car in the back – we were escorted all day thru the busy DC traffic. Fun! Sites visited: National Archives, WWII Memorial, Lincoln Memorial, Korean Memorial, and Vietnam Memorial.

Then we had a driving tour past the White House, the Capitol, Supreme Court building, Library of Congress, Naval Memorial, Air Force Memorial and Pentagon. It is hard to put into words the gratitude we felt by being treated to such an “awesome” trip.

We were once again met by the Honor Flight ground crew at Dulles and assisted into people movers to be taken to the airport for boarding. We enjoyed a delicious cheeseburger meal on the way home!

Prior to landing in Fargo around 2030 hours, we were provided Juicy Fruit gum! And an Honor Flight cap from WDAY! Now is that organization or what? At Hector Airport we were greeted by throngs of well-wishers waving flags and clapping. To top it off, the community band was playing the “Armed Forces Medley”! How do you top that?

Thousands of people made that trip possible. I’ll just mention the major sponsors: WDAY, American Crystal Sugar, American Legion 9th District Auxiliary-Thief River Falls, National Honor Flight Network-Springfield, Ohio, Sanford Health-Fargo, Sunset Lanes-Moorhead, and VFW Post #7564-West Fargo. They also provided a book of biographies of each veteran on the Honor Flight! We will also be given a group photo along with a CD of all pictures taken by the professional photographer with the tour!

To further highlight how they pampered us and how caring the volunteers were: at the FDR Memorial Area, the sun was very bright. As I was looking for shade (due to prior bouts with skin cancer), along comes extra-special volunteer, LuAnn McDonald, and applies suntan lotion to my “rosaceous, sebaceous proboscis” and face and ears!

The WDAY Honor Flight board of directors: Jane Matejcek, Lance Akers, Diane Moderow, David Rice, Lori Ishaug, Beth Bouley, Craig Kaehler, and David Brunsvold. Committee members: Eric Marts, Tracy Briggs, Tod Ganje, Susie Schroeder, Jason McSperron, Terry Richardson, and Luann McDonald. Fargo VA health care system director is Lavonne Liversage. All together there were about 70 volunteers and escorts on board.

A most exceptionally enjoyable experience..... by: Jim Schulz-Bismarck 701-400-6645

To view pictures and download application to apply for trip, go to: “WDAY Honor Flight.Area Voices.com” website.

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W hat a thrill for an old seasoned vet,
D onning a US Army cap, anticipating boarding a Sun
Country jet.
A fter processing by a cadre of super volunteers,
Y outhful-acting old soldiers marched to their
most eventful experience in years.
H ow the organizers arranged all the treats,
O verwhelms the imagination, such gallant feats.
N avigating for takeoff, here comes a “water cannon
salute”!
O nly provided for Americans displaying honorable repute.
R eeling at great speed, reached our Washington, DC
destination, keen;
F rom plane to buses – a patriotic ovation, never
before seen!
L eft for Arlington Ceremony, such a site;
I n the evening, chow & mail call; a surprise delight.
G oing to all special memorials for our
Military heroes galore,
H ector Airport reception, an overwhelming
patriotic scene; our vets score!
T he Community Band played the Armed Forces
Medley, so serene;
S alute to the flight volunteers-
their organization – supreme!!

*Dedicated to my pal – Jordan Jensen, 7th grade, Moorhead Public School
(my diminutive wheel chair jockey around Washington, DC Memorials)*

By: Jim Schulz, a grateful old veteran
(Participated in October, 2016 Honor Flight)
@age 79, plus shipping & handling. July 10, 2017



NORTH DAKOTA SENATE

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COMMITTEES:

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Good Morning Chairman Kasper and members of the House Government Veterans Affairs Committee. For the record, my name is Richard Marcellais, Senator from District 9, Rolette County I am here today to support House Concurrent Resolution 3019.

House Concurrent Resolution 3019 relating to Veterans Honor Flights.

I want to thank Representative Karls for allowing me to co-sponsor House Concurrent Resolution 3019.

At this time, I would like to share the history on the first North Dakota Native Veterans Honor Flight.

- *November 2015 established the North Dakota Native Veterans Honor Flight*
- *January 2016 Received support from all five Tribal Nations in North Dakota*
- *May 2016 First meeting with the North Dakota Native Veterans Honor Flight*
- *June 2016 Created the North Dakota Native Veterans Honor Flight LOGO*
- *August 2016 submitted application to become a Honor Flight HUB site*
- *October 2016 Received approval for the North Dakota Native Veterans Honor Flight*
- *October 2016 Submitted paperwork 501c3 to IRS, ND Secretary of State*
- *November 2016 First Donation to North Dakota Native Veterans Honor Flight*

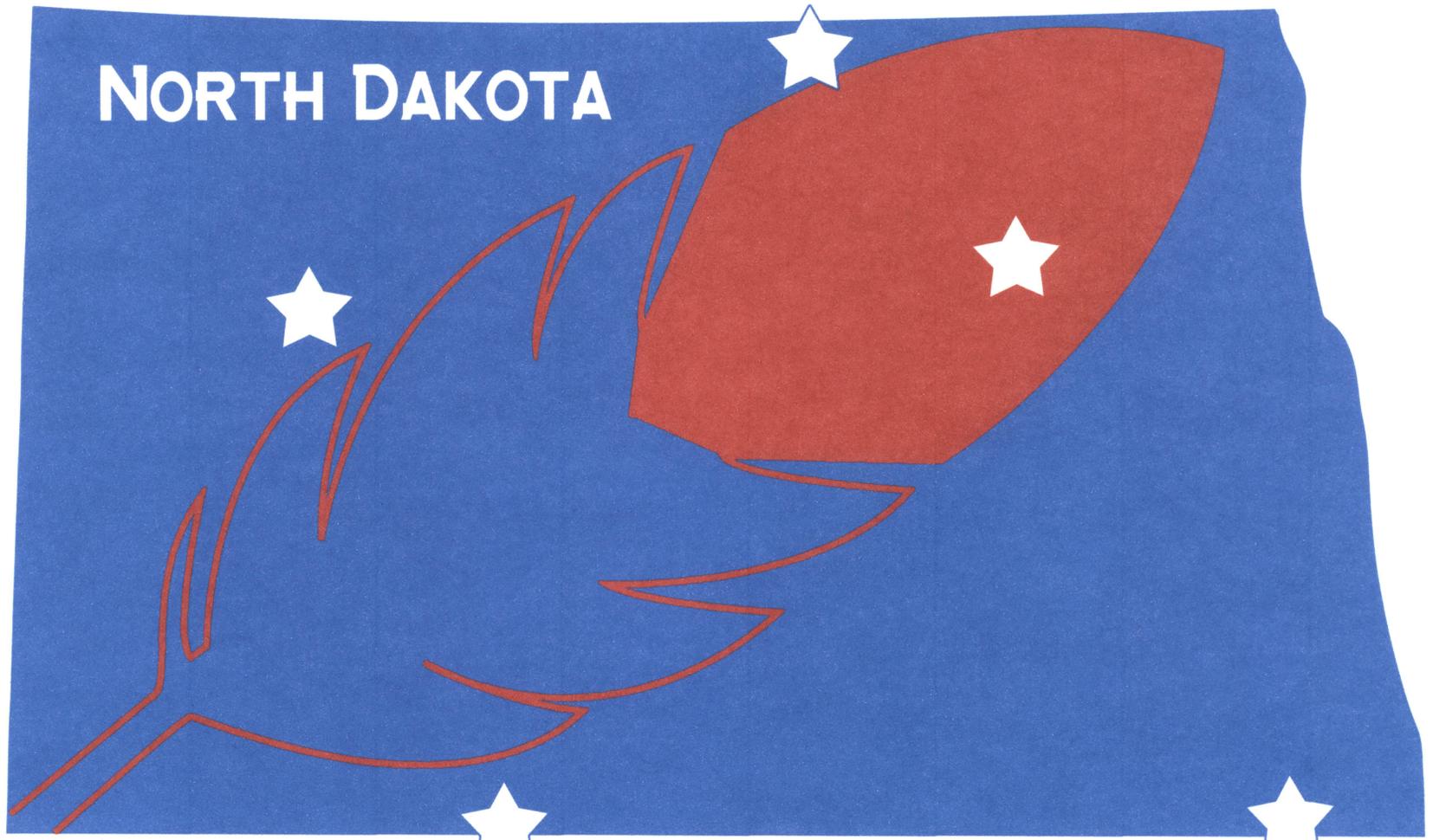
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- December 2016 Received New Honor Flight Network Award 2016-2017
- December 2016 Received approval from IRS for 501c3 status.
- January 2018 Began North Dakota Native Veterans Honor Flight Application Process
- April 2018 Ordered our North Dakota Native Veterans Honor Flight Flag
- October 22-23, 2018 First North Dakota Native Veterans Honor Flight. There were 109 Veterans from WWII, Korean, Vietnam and Gulf War Veterans with Medical Staff, Support Staff and Escorts. We were required to raise \$150,000 to make this happen.

Mr. Chairman I do have some amendments for HCR 3019 to include the "**North Dakota Native Veterans Honor Flight**"

Thank You very much for the opportunity to appear in support of House Concurrent Resolution 3019. If there are any questions I will try and answer them.

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NATIVE VETERAN'S HONOR FLIGHT

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NDNVHF Organization History

- November 2015 – Contacted the National Honor Flight in Cleveland Ohio to establish the North Dakota Native Veterans Honor Flight***
- January 2016 – Received support from all five Tribal Nations in North Dakota (Spirt Lake, Mandan Hidatsa Arikara, Standing Rock, Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate and Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians)***
- May 2016 – First meeting with the North Dakota Native Veterans Honor Flight Board.***
- June 2016 – Created our North Dakota Native Veterans Honor Flight LOGO designed by Mr. Bennett Brien***
- August 2016 – Submitted application to become a Honor Flight HUB Site***
- October 2016 – Received approval for the North Dakota Native Veterans Honor Flight.***
- October 2016 – Assigned Attorney to assist with 501c3 process to IRS, ND Secretary of State paperwork.***
- November 2016 – NDNVHF first donation.***
- December 2016 – Received the New Honor Flight Network Hub Award 2016-2017 NDNVHF You're an Essential Piece of Honoring our Veterans***
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NATIVE VETERAN'S HONOR FLIGHT

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North Dakota Native Veterans Honor Flight

FOR HONOR FLIGHT USE ONLY Last Name: _____ Date Received: _____

Veteran Application

Honor Flight recognizes American Veterans for your sacrifices and achievements by flying you to Washington, DC to see YOUR memorial at no cost. Top priority will be given to those World War II Veterans who haven't yet seen their memorial followed by Korean War Veterans and terminally ill Veterans from all wars. In order for Honor Flight to achieve this goal, escorts fly with the Veterans on every flight proving assistance and helping them have a safe, memorable and rewarding experience. Please consider this a small token of appreciation from all of us at NDNV Honor Flight for what you and your comrades have given to us. For further information, please contact us at (701) 477-8985.

YOUR NAME: _____

(As it appears on your ID for airline travel)

NICK NAME: _____

(If applicable)

DATE OF BIRTH _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: Day: _____ Evening: _____

Cell: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

AGE: _____ T-SHIRT SIZE: (S, M, L, XL, XXL, XXXL) _____

ALTERNATE CONTACT INFORMATION (son, daughter, etc.):

NAME: _____

PHONE: Day: _____ Evening: _____

Cell: _____

EMAIL: _____ RELATIONSHIP: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION (someone available the day you travel):

NAME: _____

RELATIONSHIP: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: Day: _____ Evening: _____ Cell: _____

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SERVICE HISTORY: BRANCH OF SERVICE: _____ RANK: _____

DD-214 Discharge Papers: YES [] NO: [] (Please attach to application)

Which war/conflict are you a veteran of? _____

HOME TOWN (city and state where you grew up): _____

Where do you live now? _____

What years did you serve? Approximate dates if you are uncertain _____

Do you belong to a service organization now? If so, which one? _____

Location of service organization: _____

MEDICAL: THIS INFORMATION IS NECESSARY SO WE MAY PROVIDE YOU WITH THE APPROPRIATE MEDICAL SUPPORT DURING YOUR TRIP. THIS INFORMATION IS FOR HONOR FLIGHT AND MEDICAL PERSONNEL ONLY. YOUR RESPONSE TO THESE QUESTIONS WILL NOT AFFECT YOUR ELIGIBILITY. OUR MEDICAL TEAM THAT WILL BE WITH US ON THE TRIP MAY ASK TO VISIT WITH YOUR PHYSICIAN IF THERE ARE ANY CONCERNS.

Do you use mobility equipment, even for brief periods of time? YES [] NO []

Can you walk a mile without any assistance? YES [] NO []

If YES, please circle device: CANE WALKER WHEELCHAIR SCOOTER
PACEMAKER

MEDICATIONS YOU USE

<u>MEDICATION NAME</u>	<u>HOW OFTEN IS IT TAKEN</u>

(If more room is needed for medications, please continue on additional sheet of paper)

1. List any **drug allergies?** (Please list)

2. List any **food allergies?** (Please list)

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Do you have a history of **seizures**? YES [] NO []
Please describe what type (i.e. grand mal, petit mal, other) _____
When was your last seizure? _____ If within the past 5 years, we
STRONGLY advise you discuss trip with your private physician!

3. Do you have problems with **motion sickness** (car or air)? YES [] NO []
If yes, is it controlled with medications? YES [] NO []
If motion sickness is not controlled with medications, it is STRONGLY advised you
discuss the trip with your private physician!

4. Do you have any **breathing problems**? YES [] NO [] If YES, please
describe:

5. Do you use a **home nebulizer machine**? YES [] NO [] If YES you are
STRONGLY encouraged to discuss the trip with your private physician
concerning the use of portable hand-held nebulizers during the trip.

6. Do you use **oxygen** at any time? YES [] NO [] If YES, you need your
private physician to write a prescription for oxygen to be used during the
flight during the tour. Oxygen tanks cannot be used on aircraft. Oxygen will
be provided by the Honor Flight committee once we arrive in Washington DC.
The prescription MUST be turned in with the application.

7. Do you have a **problem walking** the length of a football field without
assistance?
YES [] NO [] if YES, please describe the reason (e.g. lung problems, arthritis,
heart problems, etc.): _____

8. Do you have a history of **open head injuries, sinus problems, or ear
problems**?
YES [] NO [] If YES have you flown since the open head injury, sinus or ear
problems occurred? YES [] NO [] If YES, did you have any problems?
YES [] NO [] If YES, we STRONGLY advised you discuss the trip with your
private physician. If you have NOT flown since the open head injury, sinus or ear
problems, again we STRONGLY advise you discuss the trip with your private
physician.

9. Do you have an **urotoxy or colostomy bag**? YES [] NO [] If YES, please
make sure the bag is vented prior to flight If you do not know if your bag is
vented, it is STRONGLY advised that you discuss this issue with your private
physician. Honor Flight realizes the veterans may need assistance for such
things as wheelchairs, medications etc. You may bring your own family
member escort to assist you on the trip; however there is a fee (\$750) for an
escort to Travel with you this escort **MUST** be capable of handling all luggage
and able to push your wheelchair if needed.

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Unfortunately, The Honor Flight Network guidelines, which we are required to follow, state that non-veteran spouses are unable to serve as an escort (except in a rare medical necessity). There will be assistance available on the trip to aid those veterans who may need a little extra help getting around. We strongly recommend that you have an escort if you feel you need to as we want this to be a wonderful and meaningful experience for you. Please do not bring an escort if you do not need one. We would like as many Veterans to participate as possible and we do not want to take the seat of a Veteran away for an escort unless needed.

10. Do you need a family member escort for mobility or medical reasons?

YES [] NO [] If YES please describe the reasons: _____

Additional Comments or Concerns: _____

PLEASE REVIEW CAREFULLY AND SIGN:

The undersigned acknowledges and agrees that:

1. As photographic and video equipment are frequently used to memorialize and document **Honor Flight** trips and events, his/her image may appear in a public forum, such as the media or a website, to acknowledge, promote or advance the work of the **Honor Flight** program. I hereby release the photographer and **Honor Flight** from all claims and liability relating to said photographs. I hereby give permission to publish my images and/or biographical information and waive any rights or compensation or ownership thereto.
2. I further state that medical insurance is the responsibility of the veteran and I understand that **Honor Flight** does **NOT** provide medical care. I understand that I accept all risk associated with travel and other **Honor Flight** activities and will not hold **Honor Flight** responsible for any injuries incurred by me while participating in the **Honor Flight** program.

SIGNATURE OF VETERAN: _____

DATE: _____

Please submit this form to:

North Dakota Native Veterans Honor Flight
301 Laite Loop NE
Belcourt, ND 58316
ANY QUESTIONS, CALL (701) 477-8985 or (701) 205-7816

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North Dakota Native Veteran's Honor Flight

301 Laite Loop NE, Belcourt, North Dakota 58316

(701) 477-8985

Dear Veteran Supporter

Throughout the U.S. there are many proud and brave Veterans that have served our country. This quiet and proud group of Veterans served with honor in the past, and continues to step up for the freedoms we Americans appreciate each day.

We are asking for your generous donation to send our Veterans on an Honor Flight to Washington DC to visit the Veteran's Memorials made to honor their service and sacrifice to our country.

By donating now, you can help send the very first group of our Veterans before it is too late for some to go due to bad health or death. The cost of one Honor Flight is \$750 per Veteran. The flight holds 90 Veterans plus support staff for a total cost of \$150,000. Your generous donation will help insure that it is not too late to send these Veterans to Washington DC.

This Honor Flight will be taking WWII, Korean, and Vietnam Veterans. Our Honor Flight name and logo is called North Dakota Native Veteran's Honor Flight and includes non-natives who served in the military branches.

Donations, large or small, but given from the heart, can be mailed to:

N.D. State Senator Richard Marcellais
301 Laite Loop NE
Belcourt, ND 58316
Phone: 701-477-8985
Email: rjm@utma.com

Please make checks out to N.D. Native Veterans Honor Flight

Thank you for your support!



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North Dakota Native American Honor Flight

*301 Laite Loop NE, Belcourt, North Dakota
(701) 477-8985*

Sponsorships & Donations for Native Veteran's Honor Flights

- \$25,000 Gets your logo or name on our banner.
- \$10,000 Gets your logo or name on our coats.
- \$5,000 Gets your logo or name on our t-shirts.
- \$1,000 Gets your name listed in the program – the donation may be made to honor a veteran by name.

The back of the t-shirts and coats will always have the media sponsor's name, along with our honor flight logo.

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Prepared by the Legislative Council staff for
Senator Marcellais
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Page 1, line 4, replace "organization" with "organizations"

Page 1, line 21, after the second "Minnesota" insert "and the North Dakota Native Veterans Honor Flight"

Page 1, line 23, replace "chairperson" with "chairpersons"

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Chairman Kasper, The North Dakota Veterans Legislative Council stands in support of HCR 3029 HCR3023 and HCR 3033, We would request that you accept this email into the record on each resolution. Thank you Jim Nelson Legislative Director NDVLC

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Thank you Mr. Chairman, for the record, I am Rep, Karen Karls. I represent District 35 in Bismarck.

This resolution is about Honor Flights for American Veterans. Honor Flight is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing veterans with honor and closure. Their mission is to transport America's veterans for Washington DC to visit those memorials dedicated to honor the service and sacrifices of themselves and their friends.

The author of this resolution lives about 4 blocks north of the Capitol. He was thrilled to participate in an Honor Flight in Oct. 2016 and wished to thank the Flight's sponsors and escorts in this most meaningful way. Legislative Council put on the finishing touches on HCR 3019.

One of your committee members and a co-sponsor of the resolution not only participated in the ND Native Veterans Honor Flight, but also helped raise the funds for this amazing trip just last year. We happily amended the resolution to include that Honor flight in the resolution.

The veterans who came to testify for this resolution were filled with joy and gratitude by this experience and we ask for your favorable recommendation.

Rep. Karen Karls, District 35, Bismarck

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As an old Korean War era veteran, I was privileged to join 93 others on an awesome trip from Fargo to Washington, D.C., a direct 996-mile trip. At the Fargo airport, the extra-special volunteers provided us with a shirt, emblazoned with the term "Got Freedom?" And a neat jacket with the WDAY Honor Flight logo. An Honor Guard and well-wishers sent us on the way; even by-passing TSA security. Taxiing out to the take-off area, the Fire Dept. Gave us a "water cannon" salute; neat!

On the flight to D.C., the Sun Country staff fed us breakfast and we had "mail call" – letters from area school kids! Mine was from a Barnesville, MN first grader; touching! Prior to landing, an enthusiastic stewardess led us in singing "God Bless America"! What we lacked in singing talent was made up by our spirited patriotism!

Our arrival at Dulles international airport was overwhelming; hundreds of people greeted us with signs, clapping and hugs! It was heartening to see many young folks waving flags and stepping up to shake hands. Loaded on 4 buses, we visited the Iwo Jima Memorial on the way to Arlington National Cemetery. The Changing of the Guard ceremony gave us goose bumps. Tears were evident among the huge crowd observing our sharp, disciplined soldiers changing wreaths.

At the huge "FDR Memorial", we were wheeled around by young volunteers; I met a banker lady from Des Moines and a University of Maryland student from Minnesota. How all this was organized is mind boggling! Arriving at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Crystal City, we were given room keys and assigned a roommate. Had just enough time to wash up and put on "stink-nice" before the banquet.

After the National Anthem, we observed the POW-MIA Missing Man ceremony – more tears. After dinner, the competent and attractive WDAY TV personality, Tracy Briggs, started to introduce SSG John W. Massey Jr – operations NCOIC, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier; she was interrupted by General Colin Powell. He was at the hotel with some other group and someone asked him to stop by and visit our group. Nice of him to take the time; he got a standing ovation. SSG Massey was obviously very knowledgeable about the Arlington operation; extremely interesting.

Then we had mail call: every veteran received an envelope with many letters from friends and relatives! This amazing project was orchestrated by another super-volunteer, Craig Kaehler, from Hunter. P.S. I had 16 letters from WY, CO, MN & ND. More tears. Can you imagine the work that entailed? Such an imagination! Banquet concluded with singing the "Service Hymns" – Coast Guard, Air Force, Navy, Marines, and Army.

Having heard I was going on this adventure to DC, I contacted a cousin in the area and asked her to place an ad in the Washington Post: "Attention all granddaughters; keep your grandmothers off the streets – a large group of old veterans are coming in from Dakota and Minnesota!"

After a hearty breakfast, we boarded 4 buses – then we heard sirens – the Capitol Police had a cycle in front and a police car in the back – we were escorted all day thru the busy DC traffic. Fun! Sites visited: National Archives, WWII Memorial, Lincoln Memorial, Korean Memorial, and Vietnam Memorial.

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Then we had a driving tour past the White House, the Capitol, Supreme Court building, Library of Congress, Naval Memorial, Air Force Memorial and Pentagon. It is hard to put into words the gratitude we felt by being treated to such an "awesome" trip.

We were once again met by the Honor Flight ground crew at Dulles and assisted into people movers to be taken to the airport for boarding. We enjoyed a delicious cheeseburger meal on the way home!

Prior to landing in Fargo around 2030 hours, we were provided Juicy Fruit gum! And an Honor Flight cap from WDAY! Now is that organization or what? At Hector Airport we were greeted by throngs of well-wishers waving flags and clapping. To top it off, the community band was playing the "Armed Forces Medley"! How do you top that?

Thousands of people made that trip possible. I'll just mention the major sponsors: WDAY, American Crystal Sugar, American Legion 9th District Auxiliary-Thief River Falls, National Honor Flight Network-Springfield, Ohio, Sanford Health-Fargo, Sunset Lanes-Moorhead, and VFW Post #7564-West Fargo. They also provided a book of biographies of each veteran on the Honor Flight! We will also be given a group photo along with a CD of all pictures taken by the professional photographer with the tour!

To further highlight how they pampered us and how caring the volunteers were: at the FDR Memorial Area, the sun was very bright. As I was looking for shade (due to prior bouts with skin cancer), along comes extra-special volunteer, LuAnn McDonald, and applies suntan lotion to my "rosaceous, sebaceous proboscis" and face and ears!

The WDAY Honor Flight board of directors: Jane Matejcek, Lance Akers, Diane Moderow, David Rice, Lori Ishaug, Beth Bouley, Craig Kaehler, and David Brunsvold. Committee members: Eric Marts, Tracy Briggs, Tod Ganje, Susie Schroeder, Jason McSperron, Terry Richardson, and Luann McDonald. Fargo VA health care system director is Lavonne Liversage. All together there were about 70 volunteers and escorts on board.

A most exceptionally enjoyable experience..... by: Jim Schulz-Bismarck 701-400-6645

To view pictures and download application to apply for trip, go to: "WDAY Honor Flight.Area Voices.com" website.

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W hat a thrill for an old seasoned vet,
D onning a US Army cap, anticipating boarding a Sun Country jet
A fter processing by a cadre of super volunteers,
Y outhful acting old soldiers marched to their most eventful
experience in years.

H ow the organizers arranged all the treats,
O verwhelms the imagination, such gallant feats.
N avigating for takeoff, here comes a “water cannon salute”!
O nly provided for Americans displaying honorable repute.
R eeling at great speed, reached our Washington, D.C.
destination, keen;

F rom plane to buses – a patriotic ovation, never before seen!
L eft for Arlington ceremony, such a site;

I n the evening, chow & mail call; a surprise delight.
G oing to all special memorials for our military heroes galore,
H ector airport reception, an overwhelming patriotic scene;
our vets score!

T he community band played the Armed Forces Medley,
so serene;

S alute to the flight volunteers--their organization –
supreme!!

*Dedicated to my pal – Jordan Jensen, 7th grade, Moorhead Public School
(My diminutive wheel chair jockey around Washington, D.C. Memorials)*

**July 10, 2017 By Jim Schulz, a grateful old veteran
(Participant in the October 2016 Honor Flight)**

@ age 79, plus shipping & handling.

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Good Morning Chairman Davison and members of the Senate Government Veterans Affairs Committee. For the record, my name is Richard Marcellais, Senator from District 9, Rolette County I am here today to support House Concurrent Resolution 3019.

House Concurrent Resolution 3019 relates to Veterans Honor Flights.

At this time, I would like to share the history on the first North Dakota Native Veterans Honor Flight.

- *November 2015 established the North Dakota Native Veterans Honor Flight*
- *January 2016 Received support from all five Tribal Nations in North Dakota*
- *May 2016 First meeting with the North Dakota Native Veterans Honor Flight*
- *June 2016 Created the North Dakota Native Veterans Honor Flight LOGO*
- *August 2016 submitted application to become a Honor Flight HUB site*
- *October 2016 Received approval for the North Dakota Native Veterans Honor Flight*
- *October 2016 Submitted paperwork 501c3 to IRS, ND Secretary of State*
- *November 2016 First Donation to North Dakota Native Veterans Honor Flight*
- *December 2016 Received New Honor Flight Network Award 2016-2017*
- *December 2016 Received approval from IRS for 501c3 status.*

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- *January 2018 Began North Dakota Native Veterans Honor Flight Application Process*
- *April 2018 Ordered our North Dakota Native Veterans Honor Flight Flag*
- *October 22-23, 2018 First North Dakota Native Veterans Honor Flight. There were 109 Veterans from WWII, Korean, Vietnam and Gulf War Veterans with Medical Staff, Support Staff and Escorts. We were required to raise \$150,000 to make this happen.*

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*Thank You very much for the opportunity to appear in support of HCR 3019.
If there are any questions, I will try and answer them.*