

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4039

Introduced by

Senators G. Nelson, Krauter

Representatives Belter, Boucher

1 A concurrent resolution welcoming Miss America 2001 Angela Perez Baraquio to North Dakota
2 and supporting her efforts to promote character education in schools.

3 **WHEREAS**, acts of violence by youth have prompted discussions regarding the role of
4 teachers in developing students' core ethics and values; and

5 **WHEREAS**, teachers, more than any other adults besides parents, directly influence the
6 character attributes students develop; and

7 **WHEREAS**, a renewed emphasis on character education is urgently needed to support
8 the ethical, social, and academic development of students; and

9 **WHEREAS**, in addition to focusing attention on the provision of character education,
10 increased value must be placed on teachers; and

11 **WHEREAS**, despite the challenges, teachers need support in their efforts to provide
12 positive character development; and

13 **WHEREAS**, Angela Perez Baraquio, Miss America 2001, is a professional educator
14 who has dedicated her year as Miss America to communicating the importance of teaching
15 values while valuing teachers;

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

18 That the Fifty-seventh Legislative Assembly welcomes Miss America 2001 Angela
19 Perez Baraquio to North Dakota and supports her efforts to promote character education in
20 schools; and

21 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this
22 resolution to Ms. Angela Perez Baraquio and to the Miss America organization.