

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4019

Introduced by

Senators Bowman, Bercier

Representatives Klein, Schmidt

1 A concurrent resolution urging all educators to ensure that the schoolchildren of North Dakota
2 are taught the history of the United States flag, that they are taught to respect the flag, to
3 exercise proper flag etiquette, and to understand that the flag is the most visible and enduring
4 symbol of the American spirit.

5 **WHEREAS**, the United States flag is unique in the deep and noble significance of its
6 message to the entire world, a message of national independence, of individual liberty, of
7 idealism, and of patriotism; and

8 **WHEREAS**, the United States flag incarnates for all mankind the spirit of liberty and the
9 glorious ideal of human freedom; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the United States flag symbolizes equal opportunity for life, liberty, and the
11 pursuit of happiness and is safeguarded by the principles of duty, righteousness, and justice;
12 and

13 **WHEREAS**, the United States flag embodies the essence of patriotism and the strength
14 of the American nation; and

15 **WHEREAS**, on June 14, 1777, the Continental Congress passed an Act to establish an
16 official flag for our new nation; and

17 **WHEREAS**, for more than 200 years, the United States flag has been the symbol of our
18 nation's unity, as well as a source of pride and inspiration for millions of citizens;

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

21 That the Fifty-ninth Legislative Assembly urges all educators to ensure that the
22 schoolchildren of North Dakota are taught the history of the United States flag, that they are
23 taught to respect the flag, to exercise proper flag etiquette, and to understand that the flag is the
24 most visible and enduring symbol of the American spirit; and

- 1 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this
- 2 resolution to the Superintendent of Public Instruction, the board of each school district, each
- 3 school district administrator, and the principal of each elementary and high school in this state.