

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3029

Introduced by

Representatives Solberg, Gulleson, Mueller, Schmidt

Senators Heitkamp, Mathern

1 A concurrent resolution supporting the North Dakota Congressional Delegation's efforts to
2 promote travel and tourism to the United States and urging Congress to enact legislation to
3 construct a national program to encourage travel and tourism to this county.

4 **WHEREAS**, the travel and tourism industry is a sector of the economy which is critical
5 to our nation and tourism is the second largest industry in North Dakota; and

6 **WHEREAS**, increasingly North Dakota has been a leader in the nation's cultural and
7 heritage tourism industry; and

8 **WHEREAS**, both domestic and international travelers contribute significant tourism
9 dollars to the North Dakota economy; and

10 **WHEREAS**, North Dakota's marketing and promotion efforts are critical in attracting
11 travelers to this state and federal assistance to further promote the tourism industry would be
12 invaluable to maximizing our country's ability to be a dominant travel destination; and

13 **WHEREAS**, the United States is one of the few industrialized countries in the world
14 without a broad and nationally coordinated program designed to promote the country's
15 destinations to international travelers; and

16 **WHEREAS**, while there have been past efforts to develop initiatives at the North Dakota
17 Department of Commerce, these initiatives have been insufficient in relation to need; and

18 **WHEREAS**, the Congressional Delegation has long been supportive of improving and
19 expanding the country's efforts to promote travel and tourism to the United States;

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

22 That the Sixtieth Legislative Assembly supports the North Dakota Congressional
23 Delegation's efforts to promote travel and tourism to the United States and urges the Congress
24 of the United States to enact legislation to construct a national program to encourage travel and
25 tourism to this country; and

- 1 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this
- 2 resolution to each member of the North Dakota Congressional Delegation.