

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4008

Introduced by

Senators Wardner, Heckaman

Representatives Boschee, Pollert

1 A concurrent resolution declaring February 11, 2021, as Giving Hearts Day in North Dakota.

2 **WHEREAS**, Giving Hearts Day was started in 2008 by Dakota Medical Foundation and
3 Impact Foundation as the first one-day virtual fundraising event of its kind in the region; and

4 **WHEREAS**, the Alex Stern Family Foundation joined Dakota Medical Foundation and
5 Impact Foundation as a cohost in 2014; and

6 **WHEREAS**, this 24-hour fundraising event in North Dakota and northwest Minnesota is
7 dedicated to inspiring donations for charities at givingheartsday.org; and

8 **WHEREAS**, Dakota Medical Foundation, Impact Foundation, and Alex Stern Family
9 Foundation jointly lead givingheartsday.org to create a powerful, regional, user-friendly website
10 for donors to find and connect with charities and for nonprofits to receive donations and recruit
11 volunteers and secure needed goods; and

12 **WHEREAS**, in 2020, \$19.2 million was raised from more than 35,000 caring donors, directly
13 benefiting nearly 500 charitable causes, and since its start, nearly \$90 million has been raised;
14 and

15 **WHEREAS**, Giving Hearts Day 2021 includes nearly 500 charitable causes and spans the
16 entire state of North Dakota and northwest Minnesota; and

17 **WHEREAS**, more than \$5 million has been committed by the cohosts, businesses, and
18 other generous community members to be used for matches, awards, incentives, and
19 scholarships benefiting participating Giving Hearts Day charities; and

20 **WHEREAS**, North Dakota citizens are encouraged to experience the joy of giving and
21 volunteering as well as igniting others to help great causes positively impact our communities;

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

24 That the Sixty-seventh Legislative Assembly declares February 11, 2021, as Giving Hearts
25 Day in North Dakota; and

- 1 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward a copy of this resolution
- 2 to Dakota Medical Foundation.