TESTIMONY OF JOHN BRADLEY NORTH DAKOTA WILDLIFE FEDERATION HOUSE BILL 1134 SENATE ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCE COMMITTEE MARCH 2, 2023

Chairman Patten and members of the Senate Energy and Natural Resource Committee:

For the record, I am John Bradley, Executive Director of the North Dakota Wildlife Federation. Since 1935, we have advocated for the conservation of wildlife, habitat and access for North Dakota's hunters, anglers, and other outdoor users. I'm here today representing our 1,500 members in 15 affiliated wildlife and sportsmen's clubs across North Dakota that make up the North Dakota Wildlife Federation.

NDWF supports HB 1134 in its current form. The North Dakota Wildlife Federation has had a long history of opposing additional hunting licenses, expanded seasons or less restricted licenses for non-resident hunters. However, as this bill would simply achieve parity between current non-resident guard members with other non-resident military service members.

We request a Do Pass vote on HB 1134. Thank you and I would stand for any questions that the Committee may have.