

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Praising the dramatic progress at Crazy Horse Memorial and recognizing the memorial's year of renewing the dream of Chief Henry Standing Bear and sculptor Korczak Ziolkowski.

WHEREAS, in 1947 Korczak Ziolkowski came to the Black Hills to undertake Crazy Horse Memorial at the invitation of Lakota Chief Henry Standing Bear whose invitation said, "My fellow chiefs and I would like the white man to know the red man has great heroes, too,"; and

WHEREAS, from the outset one of the memorial's major goals has been reconciliation between races; and

WHEREAS, Crazy Horse Memorial has become a focal point for the celebration of Native American Day in South Dakota and this year will host its fifteenth anniversary observances; and

WHEREAS, the face of Crazy Horse was completed in 1998, and blocking out the horse's head last year passed the halfway milestone; and

WHEREAS, the Crazy Horse Memorial Foundation directors and the family of Korczak have shown vision and financial courage in continuing the nonprofit memorial following Korczak's death in 1982; and

WHEREAS, the foundation has adhered to the sculptor's free enterprise financial philosophy that the educational and cultural memorial be built without federal or state tax dollars; and

WHEREAS, the foundation in 2005 plans to "renew the dream" with major events including premiering a multimedia, laser light show projected on the mountain carving which will dramatize the story of the rich culture and heritage of Native Americans and which will promote reconciliation between nations; and

WHEREAS, Crazy Horse Memorial in progress attracts national and international publicity which greatly benefits the tourism promotion efforts of the State of South Dakota; and

WHEREAS, that recognition would be furthered by creation of a United States commemorative stamp honoring the memorial and its sculptor as unanimously recommended in 2000 by the United State Senate:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the Eightieth Legislature of the State

of South Dakota, the House of Representatives concurring therein, that the steady progress at Crazy Horse Memorial be recognized along with the memorial's year of renewing the dream of Chief Henry Standing Bear and sculptor Korczak Ziolkowski.

Adopted by the Senate,
Concurred in by the House of Representatives,

January 21, 2005
January 25, 2005

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President of the Senate

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Secretary of the Senate

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