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House Commemoration 8001

Introduced by: **Representatives** Krohmer, Aylward, Bahmuller, Fitzgerald, Gross, Jensen (Kevin), Kull, Moore, Mortenson, Otten (Ernie), Perry, Pinnow, Reisch, and Weisgram and **Senators** Crabtree, Mehlhaff, Otten (Herman), Pischke, and Stalzer

1 **A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION, Recognizing the Mitchell Friends of NRA as the**
 2 **largest Friends of NRA chapter in the state and celebrating the chapter's**
 3 **significant support of gun safety classes, hunter education courses, and youth**
 4 **shooting sports.**

5 WHEREAS, the Friends of NRA is a fundraising program under the NRA Foundation, with
 6 the mission of preserving the core of American values and traditions in a steadfast effort to
 7 teach freedom. The NRA Foundation supports activities that are designed to promote firearms
 8 and hunting safety, enhance marksmanship skills of those participating in shooting sports,
 9 and educate the public about firearms. Funds disbursed by the NRA Foundation benefit a
 10 variety of constituencies throughout the United States, including youth, women, individuals
 11 with physical disabilities, gun collectors, law enforcement officers, hunters, competitive
 12 shooters, military veterans, and first responders; and

13 WHEREAS, the Mitchell Friends of NRA chapter is the largest chapter in South Dakota. The
 14 Mitchell chapter continually breaks its record for fundraising year after year through the
 15 dedicated work of its members, board, and volunteers. The chapter provides important
 16 support for gun safety classes, hunter education courses, and youth shooting sports; and

17 WHEREAS, the Mitchell Friends of NRA chapter continues to deliver on its mission by
 18 working with area organizations and the community to support robust recreational
 19 opportunities across the state and to increase awareness and support of the Second
 20 Amendment of the United States Constitution:

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the Ninety-Ninth Legislature of the State
 22 of South Dakota, that the Mitchell Friends of NRA chapter is the largest Friends of NRA chapter
 23 in the state, and the Legislature recognizes its tremendous efforts to further charitable
 24 fundraising to support gun safety classes, hunter education courses, and youth shooting
 25 sports.