



2026 South Dakota Legislature

House Concurrent Resolution

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Introduced by: Representative Manhart

1 **A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION Honoring the life and achievements of the late Charlie
2 Kirk.**

3 WHEREAS, Charlie Kirk was born on October 14, 1993, in Arlington Heights, Illinois, and
4 rose to prominence as a dedicated advocate for American values and the American way of
5 life; and

6 WHEREAS, at the age of 18, Charlie Kirk founded Turning Point USA, an organization
7 committed to promoting free markets, limited government, fiscal responsibility, and
8 constitutional liberties among young people on college campuses across the nation; and

9 WHEREAS, through Turning Point USA, Charlie Kirk inspired thousands of students and
10 fostered a new generation of young leaders and activists who engaged in civic discourse and
11 political participation; and

12 WHEREAS, Charlie Kirk served as a close ally and advisor to President Donald J. Trump,
13 contributing to national policy discussions and grassroots efforts that emphasized patriotism,
14 economic opportunity, and individual freedoms; and

15 WHEREAS, Charlie Kirk's influential voice reached millions through his radio show,
16 podcasts, books, and public speaking engagements, all of which he used to champion causes
17 such as border security, religious liberty, and the protection of Second Amendment rights;
18 and

19 WHEREAS, on September 10, 2025, Charlie Kirk was tragically assassinated while
20 addressing an audience at Utah Valley University, cutting short a life of profound impact at
21 the age of 31; and

1 WHEREAS, the untimely death of Charlie Kirk left a void in the United States and across
2 the world, inspired a renewed commitment to the ideals he espoused, and reminded all of the
3 importance of civil engagement and resilience in the face of adversity;

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the One Hundred
5 First Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the Senate concurring therein, that the
6 Legislature honors the memory of Charlie Kirk for his unwavering dedication to American
7 principles, his role in empowering youth, and his contributions to American political discourse;
8 and

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Legislature extends its deepest sympathies to the
10 family, friends, and colleagues of Charlie Kirk, and encourages the people of South Dakota to
11 reflect on his legacy as a model of passionate advocacy and public service.