



2026 South Dakota Legislature
House Concurrent Resolution
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ENROLLED

AN ACT

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION honoring the life and achievements of the late Charlie Kirk.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

January 16, 2026
January 26, 2026

Jon Hansen
Speaker of the House

Patricia Miller
Chief Clerk of the House

Chris Karr
President Pro Tempore
of the Senate

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