



2026 South Dakota Legislature

Senate Commemoration 818

Introduced by: **Senator Mehlhaff** and **Representative Weisgram**

1 **A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION commending Grey Zabel for his achievements as**
2 **a member of the 2026 Super Bowl-winning Seattle Seahawks.**

3 WHEREAS, Grey Zabel was born and raised in Pierre, South Dakota, and graduated from
4 T.F. Riggs High School in 2020; and

5 WHEREAS, as a member of the Governors football team, Zabel contributed to consecutive
6 state championships in 2017, 2018, and 2019; and

7 WHEREAS, continuing his career at North Dakota State University, Zabel helped the Bison
8 win two NCAA Division 1 FCS national championships; and

9 WHEREAS, in the 2025 NFL draft, the Seattle Seahawks selected Zabel with the eighteenth
10 overall pick; and

11 WHEREAS, Zabel played in twenty games for the Seattle Seahawks in his 2025 rookie
12 season, including Super Bowl LX, which Zabel and the Seahawks won, defeating the New
13 England Patriots; and

14 WHEREAS, Zabel's dedication and commitment to athletic excellence, exemplified by his
15 athletic achievements, have brought great pride to the people of his hometown and the state
16 of South Dakota;

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the One Hundred First Legislature of the
18 State of South Dakota, that Grey Zabel is recognized and commended for his athletic
19 achievements with the 2026 Super Bowl-winning Seattle Seahawks, and for inspiring young
20 athletes across South Dakota by showcasing his work-ethic and talent at the highest level of
21 sport.