



2026 South Dakota Legislature

House Commemoration 8019

Introduced by: **Representative** Mortenson

1 **A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION honoring Dr. Kelly Glodt upon his retirement as**
2 **superintendent of the Pierre School District.**

3 WHEREAS, Dr. Kelly Glodt has served as superintendent of the Pierre School District since
4 2007, dedicating nearly two decades to the students, families, educators, and taxpayers of
5 Pierre and the surrounding communities; and

6 WHEREAS, Dr. Glodt announced his intention to retire following the September 8, 2025,
7 meeting of the Pierre School Board, with retirement effective June 30, 2026, and did so to
8 provide the Board ample time to conduct a thoughtful superintendent search and ensure a
9 smooth leadership transition; and

10 WHEREAS, throughout his tenure, Dr. Glodt emphasized collaborative leadership and
11 credited the success of Pierre public schools to strong partnerships among the school board,
12 administrators, teachers, parents, and students; and

13 WHEREAS, Dr. Glodt's strong leadership has been recognized statewide, including being
14 named South Dakota Superintendent of the Year, an honor reflecting sustained excellence in
15 educational leadership and service; and

16 WHEREAS, under Dr. Glodt's leadership, the Pierre School District has consistently
17 demonstrated conservative fiscal principles and excellent student achievement; and

18 WHEREAS, Dr. Glodt has contributed to education policy and statewide conversations
19 beyond his district responsibilities;

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the One Hundred First Legislature of the
21 State of South Dakota, that Dr. Kelly Glodt is truly appreciated for his commitment to
22 academic excellence, his responsible stewardship of public resources, and the lasting impact
23 that his legacy of service will have on generations of students and the community of Pierre.