

State of South Dakota

SEVENTY-SIXTH SESSION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2001

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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1005

Introduced by: Representatives Brown (Richard), Adelstein, Bartling, Broderick, Burg, Davis, Derby, Duenwald, Eccarius, Elliott, Flowers, Fryslie, Garnos, Gillespie, Glenski, Hansen (Tom), Hanson (Gary), Hargens, Heineman, Hennies (Don), Hennies (Thomas), Holbeck, Hunhoff, Jaspers, Juhnke, Klaudt, Kloucek, Lange, Lintz, Madsen, McCaulley, McCoy, Monroe, Murschel, Nachtigal, Napoli, Nesselhuf, Olson (Mel), Pederson (Gordon), Peterson (Jim), Pitts, Pummel, Rhoden, Sigdestad, Solum, Teupel, Van Etten, and Wick and Senators Volesky, Albers, Bogue, Brosz, Brown (Arnold), Daugaard, de Hueck, Dennert, Diedrich (Larry), Diedrich (Elmer), Drake, Duxbury, Everist, Greenfield, Hainje, Ham, Hutmacher, Kleven, Koskan, Madden, McCracken, McIntyre, Moore, Munson, Olson (Ed), Putnam, Reedy, Staggers, Sutton (Dan), Symens, Vitter, and Whiting

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Recognizing February sixth as Kids Voting Day in South
2 Dakota.

3 WHEREAS, Kids Voting is a private, nonpartisan, nonprofit grassroots organization
4 dedicated to building a better informed generation of voters; and

5 WHEREAS, the Kids Voting program begins with teachers incorporating the hands-on Kids
6 Voting curriculum in the classroom and culminates on election day when students go to official
7 voting sites and cast their votes on the same candidates and issues as adults; and

8 WHEREAS, Kids Voting South Dakota strives to improve citizen involvement in democracy
9 in South Dakota's communities by preparing current and future generations of citizens for
10 participation in their government; and

1 WHEREAS, in the 2000 election, 72,054 students from 262 South Dakota schools, along
2 with some 4,000 volunteers and 5,500 educators participated in Kids Voting with students voting
3 in 452 precincts across the state; and

4 WHEREAS, research has proven that when students become involved in Kids Voting, their
5 parents also become involved in the election process:

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the Seventy-
7 sixth Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the Senate concurring therein, that the
8 Legislature encourages all counties to institute a Kids Voting campaign; and

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that February sixth be declared Kids Voting Day in South
10 Dakota.