

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1005

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

February 08, 2001
February 21, 2001

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Speaker of the House

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