

HOUSE COMMEMORATION NO. 1018

Introduced by: Representatives Juhnke and Jensen and Senator Koskan

A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION, Honoring Emily Schirmer of Colome for being named one of South Dakota's top student volunteers.

WHEREAS, Emily Schirmer, an esteemed resident of Colome and a student at Colome Junior High School, has achieved national recognition for exemplary volunteer service by receiving a 2001 Prudential Spirit of Community Award; and

WHEREAS, this prestigious award, presented by The Prudential Insurance Company of America in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals, honors young volunteers across America who have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to serving their communities; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Schirmer earned this award by giving generously of her time and energy to developing a buddy program for elementary school students which connects older students to serve as role models with younger students; and

WHEREAS, the success of the State of South Dakota, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of American society depend, in great measure, upon the dedication of young people like Ms. Schirmer who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the Seventy-sixth Legislature of the State of South Dakota, that Ms. Emily Schirmer be congratulated and honored as a recipient of a Prudential Spirit of Community Award, and be recognized for her outstanding record of volunteer service, peer leadership, and community spirit.