HOUSE COMMEMORATION NO. 1006

Introduced by: Representatives Ahlers, Boomgarden, Bradford, Brunner, Buckingham, Burg, Carson, Cutler, Davis, Deadrick, Dennert, DeVries, Dreyer, Dykstra, Elliott, Engels, Faehn, Feinstein, Gassman, Gillespie, Gilson, Glenski, Hackl, Halverson, Hanks, Hargens, Heineman, Hills, Howie, Hunt, Jerke, Juhnke, Kirkeby, Koistinen, Krebs, Lucas, Lust, McLaughlin, Miles, Moore, Noem, Novstrup (Al), Novstrup (David), Olson (Betty), Olson (Russell), Olson (Ryan), Pederson (Gordon), Peters, Pitts, Putnam, Rausch, Rave, Rhoden, Rounds, Sigdestad, Steele, Street, Thompson, Tidemann, Turbiville, Van Etten, Van Norman, Vanneman, Vehle, Weems, Wick, and Willadsen and Senators Nesselhuf, Albers, Bartling, Dempster, Gant, Garnos, Gray, Greenfield, Hansen (Tom), Hanson (Gary), Hauge, Heidepriem, Hoerth, Hundstad, Hunhoff, Jerstad, Katus, Kloucek, Knudson, Koetzle, Maher, McCracken, McNenny, Olson (Ed), Peterson (Jim), Schmidt (Dennis), Smidt (Orville), Sutton, and Turbak

A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION, Commending and honoring Representative Eldon Nygaard for receiving recognition from the Veterans Consortium Pro Bono Program.

WHEREAS, Representative Eldon Nygaard, serving as counsel for the American Coalition for Family Assistance, a nonprofit organization in Brandon, South Dakota, has provided excellent pro bono representation for veterans appeals cases before the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims in Washington, D.C., in 2006; and

WHEREAS, Representative Nygaard has played an important role in the success of the Veterans Consortium Pro Bono Program's mission of providing free legal assistance to veterans in claims before the special court in Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, Representative Nygaard's dedication and excellence has been recognized by the award of a plaque from the Veterans Consortium bearing the words "Service and Honor":

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the Eighty-second Legislature of the State of South Dakota, that Representative Eldon Nygaard has been recognized for his efforts to advance the rights of veterans with a letter of appreciation and award from the Veterans Consortium Pro Bono Program.