

South Dakota Legislature



House Commemoration 8003

*Introduced by: **Representatives** Derby, Massie, Moore, Reisch, Shorma, and Venhuizen and **Senators** Deibert, Duhamel, Perry, and Schoenfish*

A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION, Recognizing Jacqueline Sly as the recipient of the AARP South Dakota Andrus Award.

WHEREAS, Jacqueline Sly earned her bachelor's degree in elementary and special education from Northern State University and her master's degree in curriculum and instruction from Black Hills State University; and

WHEREAS, Jacqueline's public education career in South Dakota spanned thirty-seven years, her retirement from classroom teaching didn't stop her desire to promote the teaching profession and prioritize the success of young people, leading her to serve in the South Dakota Legislature; and

WHEREAS, during Jacqueline's legislative tenure, from 2009-2016, she served as a member of the House Health and Human Services Committee, chair of the House Education Committee, House Majority Whip, and co-chair of the education committee for the Midwest Legislative Conference and the Council of State Governments; and

WHEREAS, Jacqueline's public service included appointments as co-chair of the blue ribbon task force and as a member of the South Dakota Board of Education Standards; and

WHEREAS, Local organizations in Rapid City and statewide organizations have benefited from Jacqueline's service in leadership roles, including South Dakota Retired School Personnel; the Rapid City Education Association; Susan G. Komen for the Cure South Dakota; the West River Mental Health Clinic; Black Hills Works; Abbott House; Bethlehem Lutheran Church; and AARP South Dakota; and

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WHEREAS, Jacqueline was recently presented with AARP South Dakota's prestigious Andrus Award for Community Service, named after the organization's founder, Ethel Percy Andrus, a retired educator. The award honors Jacqueline's generous sharing of time and talents to enrich the lives of others, as well as her service at the local and state level;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the One Hundredth Legislature of the State of South Dakota, that Jacqueline Sly is the recipient of the AARP South Dakota Andrus Award for Community Service for her leadership and commitment to the people of South Dakota.