



2025 South Dakota Legislature

Senate Concurrent Resolution 601

SENATE ENGROSSED

Introduced by: **Senator Rohl**

1 **A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Supporting the designation of a portion of U.S.**
2 **Highway 12 to honor the late Helen Miller.**

3 WHEREAS, the late Helen Miller of Aberdeen, a member of the South Dakota Hall of Fame,
4 was keenly involved in economic development in northeastern South Dakota before her death
5 in 2002; and

6 WHEREAS, as the first woman to chair the board of directors of the Aberdeen Area
7 Chamber of Commerce, Helen Miller was steadfast in her efforts to attract business and
8 industry to Aberdeen and the northeast; and

9 WHEREAS, Helen Miller believed good highways to be essential to economic development,
10 supporting such efforts as the highway bypass at the west side of Aberdeen to help commerce
11 flow smoothly; and

12 WHEREAS, Helen Miller was credited by economic development officials, engineers, and
13 politicians alike as playing the decisive role in efforts to expand U.S. Highway 12 from two
14 lanes to four lanes between Interstate 29 and the city of Groton, thus providing a four-lane
15 connection all the way from Aberdeen to the Interstate;

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the One Hundredth Legislature of
17 the State of South Dakota, the House of Representatives concurring therein, that the South
18 Dakota Legislature supports the application for the designation of a portion of U.S. Highway
19 12 from Interstate 29 to the city of Groton in honor of Helen Miller and requests that the
20 Transportation Commission consider making the designation and, if appropriate, provide for
21 the proper posting as a fitting means of honoring the foremost advocate of this important
22 transportation corridor.