

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1020

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Expressing the Legislature's condolences upon the occasion of the death of J.D. Kesling.

WHEREAS, a distinguished and original South Dakotan, J.D. Kesling, passed away on February 27th; and

WHEREAS, J.D. Kesling acquired his stepfather's hardware store and mortuary in 1936 and worked there while also acquiring a lumber company, another hardware store, and the plumbing and heating shop, and also owned the lumber company in Isabel. He owned these until 1965 when he moved to Mobridge and purchased the Miles Funeral Home. In Mobridge he designed and built a new Funeral Home at the West edge of Mobridge; and

WHEREAS, flying was his most rewarding hobby; although, he also enjoyed cooking, reading, card games (in particular double pinochle), history, politics, and visiting the more than ten thousand people he claimed to know; and

WHEREAS, J.D. lived his entire life with zest, compassion, humor, and a love for his fellow man, which made him a man who is greatly missed:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the Seventy-fourth Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the Senate concurring therein, that the Legislature hereby expresses its heartfelt condolences on the sad passing of this congenial man.

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

March 4, 1999
March 5, 1999

Roger Hunt
Speaker of the House

Karen Gerdes
Chief Clerk of the House

Carole Hillard
President of the Senate

Patricia Adam
Secretary of the Senate