

State of South Dakota

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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6

Introduced by: Senators Kloucek, Abdallah, Adelstein, Ahlers, Bartling, Bradford, Dempster, Fryslie, Gant, Garnos, Heidepriem, Howie, Hunhoff (Jean), Jerstad, Knudson, Maher, Merchant, Miles, Nesselhuf, Olson (Russell), Peterson, Schmidt, Tieszen, and Vehle and Representatives Putnam, Blake, Bolin, Brunner, Carson, Curd, Cutler, Deadrick, Dennert, Elliott, Engels, Faehn, Fargen, Feickert, Frerichs, Gibson, Greenfield, Hoffman, Hunhoff (Bernie), Hunt, Iron Cloud III, Jensen, Juhnke, Killer, Kirkeby, Kirschman, Lange, Lederman, Lucas, McLaughlin, Moser, Noem, Nygaard, Romkema, Russell, Schrempp, Sly, Solberg, Sorenson, Steele, Street, Thompson, Tidemann, Turbiville, Van Gerpen, Vanderlinde, and Verchio

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Supporting certain health screening programs sponsored
2 by the South Dakota Lions Foundation.

3 WHEREAS, the South Dakota Lions Foundation is a nonprofit organization that supports
4 the charitable efforts of Lions clubs throughout South Dakota; and

5 WHEREAS, a primary goal of the South Dakota Lions Foundation is to create a permanent
6 vehicle for the development and delivery of programs and services to the visually and hearing
7 impaired; and

8 WHEREAS, the Lions Foundation is a partner to all ninety South Dakota Lions clubs and
9 their communities in providing such services as matching assistance grants, over-the-ear hearing
10 aids, diabetes support, eyeglass collection, and mobile screening units; and

11 WHEREAS, the Lions Foundation supports the Governor's reading program for blind and



1 visually impaired children by creating incentive programs to promote achievement in reading;
2 and

3 WHEREAS, the Lions Foundation is initiating a new project, Screening in a Better Way,
4 as a new approach to providing early detection and prevention services to South Dakota citizens
5 through community-based projects sponsored by local Lions clubs and the Foundation; and

6 WHEREAS, the Screening in a Better Way approach has the following goals: to hold an
7 early detection project in every Lions club location annually, to connect those at risk with
8 professional services, to identify those eligible for financial assistance, to encourage
9 involvement in the work of Lions clubs, and to educate the public on good vision and hearing
10 health; and

11 WHEREAS, the Screening in a Better Way program will provide a cost-effective tool to
12 allow Lions clubs to leverage limited resources by partnering with local professionals and
13 communities. The program will use a series of pilot projects in ten communities to analyze and
14 refine the program for use in following years by all remaining South Dakota Lions clubs:

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the Eighty-fourth Legislature
16 of the State of South Dakota, the House of Representatives concurring therein, that the South
17 Dakota Legislature applauds the efforts of the South Dakota Lions Foundation and South
18 Dakota's Lions clubs and supports the Lions Foundation in the implementation of its Screening
19 in a Better Way program.