

# State of South Dakota

EIGHTY-EIGHTH SESSION  
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2013

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## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 2

Introduced by: Senators Sutton, Adelstein, Begalka, Bradford, Brown, Buhl, Ewing, Frerichs, Holien, Johnston, Jones, Kirkeby, Krebs, Lederman, Lucas, Maher, Novstrup (Al), Olson (Russell), Omdahl, Otten (Ernie), Rhoden, Tidemann, Van Gerpen, Vehle, Welke, and White

1 A RESOLUTION, Commending the Jobs for America's Graduates (JAG) pilot program at  
2 Wagner Community School, and honoring Sage Zephier for delivering the student address  
3 for the JAG National Leadership Awards Luncheon in Washington, D.C.

4 WHEREAS, Jobs for America's Graduates (JAG) is a state-based national nonprofit  
5 organization dedicated to helping students stay in school through graduation, pursue  
6 postsecondary education, and secure quality entry-level jobs leading to career advancement  
7 opportunities; and

8 WHEREAS, the JAG pilot program at Wagner Community School is helping Wagner area  
9 students between seventh and twelfth grades develop leadership skills, participate in community  
10 service, prepare for college, and identify high quality careers; and

11 WHEREAS, the Wagner Community School, staff, and JAG specialists including  
12 Superintendent Susan Smit, High School Principal Neil Goter, Middle School Principal Steve  
13 Petry, and JAG specialists Renee VanDerWerff, Tana Langdeaux, Vanessa Iverson, and John  
14 Tyler have been successfully leading the program with its first graduating class in 2013; and



1       WHEREAS, the 2013 graduating class includes Cheyenne Eldredge, Laurelle Gunhammer,  
2 Noah Leines, Joseph Mattis, Clarissa Medicine Horn, Clifford O'Connor, Korey Patterson, Tyler  
3 Provost, Sierra Williamson, Alexander "Zane" Zephier, and Sage Zephier; and

4       WHEREAS, among the graduating class, Sage Zephier was selected from more than forty-  
5 three thousand JAG students nationwide to deliver the student address for the JAG National  
6 Leadership Awards Luncheon in front of one thousand attendees in Washington, D.C:

7       NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the Eighty-Eighth Legislature  
8 of the State of South Dakota, that the Senate commends Wagner Community School, staff, and  
9 students in JAG for their efforts to help South Dakota students succeed; and

10       BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Senate honors Sage Zephier for delivering the  
11 student address for the JAG National Leadership Awards Luncheon in Washington, D.C.