

## HOUSE COMMEMORATION NO. 1021

Introduced by: Representatives Thompson, Cutler, Glenski, Heineman, Hunt, Krebs, Miles, Murschel, Peters, Roberts, Tornow, Weems, Wick, and Willadsen and Senators Kelly, Abdallah, Dempster, Earley, Gant, Knudson, and Koetzle

A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION, Commending and honoring Peter Severson of Sioux Falls for his success in the Jeopardy! Teen Tournament, for his academic excellence, and for his efforts to help others.

WHEREAS, Peter Severson, son of Eric and Susan Severson of Sioux Falls, and a student at Sioux Falls Lincoln High School, earned national attention during his recent participation in the Jeopardy! Teen Tournament, during which he advanced to the semifinal competition; and

WHEREAS, Peter, who has an unquenchable thirst for knowledge, is a National Merit Finalist and the only South Dakota student to earn perfect scores on both the SAT and ACT exams; and

WHEREAS, Peter spent part of last summer working in a homeless shelter in New York and living and working with youth and young adults in communities in Nicaragua; and

WHEREAS, Peter is a drum major for the award winning Lincoln High School Band that marched in the 2005 Tournament of Roses Parade, and has been in All State Band for three years:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the Eightieth Legislature of the State of South Dakota, that Peter Severson be commended for his outstanding performance in the Jeopardy! Teen Tournament, his glowing academic record, and his enthusiasm for helping others, and be wished every success in his future.