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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1002

Introduced by: Representatives Michels and Hunhoff and Senator Moore

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Endorsing the American Kennel Club's Canine Good
2 Citizen Program and supporting its efforts to promote responsible dog ownership in the state
3 of South Dakota.

4 WHEREAS, dogs play an important role in the lives of many South Dakota citizens by
5 serving as companions, working dogs, therapy dogs, and assistance dogs; and

6 WHEREAS, responsible dog ownership is encouraged in South Dakota and responsible
7 owners should properly control and provide adequate training for their dogs; and

8 WHEREAS, Canine Good Citizen Programs teach pet owners that dogs should exhibit
9 "good citizen" behaviors in the presence of other people and animals, both at home and within
10 the community; and

11 WHEREAS, Canine Good Citizen Programs identify and officially recognize those dogs
12 who behave as members in good standing within the community, and there is a real need in our
13 communities for dogs to behave in that way:

14 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the Eighty-
15 first Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the Senate concurring therein, that the South
16 Dakota Legislature encourages dog training programs and supports the efforts of kennel clubs



- 1 to provide training and education to pet owners that result in dogs being identified by the
- 2 American Kennel Club as Canine Good Citizens.