

## HOUSE COMMEMORATION NO. 1023

Introduced by: Representatives Dykstra and Gillespie and Senator Albers

A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION, Honoring Union County for being named as one of the top ten counties for the "Best Places to Live in Rural America."

WHEREAS, the Progressive Farmer Magazine has named Union County as the fifth best place to live in rural America in its 2007 survey and previously had named Union County as the second best place in its 2006 survey. Union County was the only county to remain on the top ten list from the 2006 survey; and

WHEREAS, the survey determining the best place to live was based on quality-of-life indicators and statistics such as household income and spending, home and land prices, crime rates, air quality, education, and access to health care; and

WHEREAS, Union County is situated in the southeast corner of the state and is an anchor for agriculture, education, and culture:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the Eighty-second Legislature of the State of South Dakota, that the South Dakota Legislature congratulates Union County for being named as one of the top ten counties for the "Best Places to Live in Rural America."