

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1006

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Commemorating the life of George Speaker Mickelson and calling for a bust of Mickelson to be displayed in the lobby of the State House of Representatives.

WHEREAS, George Speaker Mickelson, a son of Selby, was born during the 1941 session of the South Dakota State Legislature, during which his father, George T. Mickelson, served as Speaker of the House, and at the urging of House members was given the middle name, Speaker, to recognize his father's position; and

WHEREAS, Mickelson attended the University of South Dakota and served in the United States Army, and in 1963, he married Linda McCahren, and together they raised three children, Mark, Amy, and David, making their home in Brookings; and

WHEREAS, Mickelson served as assistant attorney general and as Brookings County state's attorney, and was elected to the State House of Representatives in 1974, and served as Speaker of the House in 1977 and 1978; and

WHEREAS, in 1986, Mickelson was elected the twenty-eighth Governor of South Dakota, and as Governor he reinvented the state's economic development and tourism promotion efforts, declared a year of reconciliation among people of all races, and led the celebration of the state's centennial; and

WHEREAS, Mickelson and seven others died in a crash of the state airplane on April 19, 1993, and South Dakota will commemorate the twenty-fifth anniversary of Mickelson's death in 2018; and

WHEREAS, as a Speaker of the House, son of a Speaker of the House, father of a Speaker of the House, distinguished state representative, and Governor, it is fitting and proper for the South Dakota State Legislature to memorialize Mickelson:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the Ninety-Third Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the Senate concurring therein, that the South Dakota Legislature calls on all South Dakotans to give thanks for the life and service of George S. Mickelson; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring

therein, calls on the South Dakota Arts Council to obtain a bust of George Speaker Mickelson to be displayed in his memory in the lobby of the House of Representatives.

Adopted by the House of Representatives,
Concurred in by the Senate,

February 1, 2018
February 5, 2018

G. Mark Mickelson
Speaker of the House

Sandra J. Zinter
Chief Clerk of the House

Matt Michels
President of the Senate

Kay Johnson
Secretary of the Senate