

State of South Dakota

EIGHTIETH SESSION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2005

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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. **1016**

Introduced by: Representatives Valandra, Boomgarden, Bradford, Buckingham, Cutler, Davis, Deadrick, Dennert, Elliott, Faehn, Frost, Garnos, Gassman, Gillespie, Glenski, Glover, Haley, Halverson, Hanks, Hargens, Haverly, Hennies, Hills, Howie, Hunhoff, Jensen, Jerke, Kroger, Lange, McCoy, McLaughlin, Miles, Murschel, Nelson, O'Brien, Pederson (Gordon), Putnam, Roberts, Rounds, Sigdestad, Street, Thompson, Tidemann, Turbiville, and Van Norman and Senators Adelstein, Abdallah, Bartling, Bogue, Broderick, Dempster, Duenwald, Duniphan, Gray, Greenfield, Hanson (Gary), Hundstad, Kloucek, Knudson, Koetzle, Kooistra, Koskan, Lintz, McNenny, Moore, Nesselhuf, Olson (Ed), Schoenbeck, Smidt, Sutton (Duane), and Two Bulls

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Urging Congress to fund the Sioux Nation Cultural Center.

2 WHEREAS, the United States Congress in Public Law 106-568 established the Wakpa Sica
3 Reconciliation Place in Fort Pierre, South Dakota, on behalf of the Great Sioux Nation; and

4 WHEREAS, the general goals of the Wakpa Sica Reconciliation Place are to establish a
5 Sioux Nation Cultural Center, which will display and interpret tribal history and cultural
6 artifacts, enhance further tourism and economic development for tribes and the State of South
7 Dakota, and promote general reconciliation and goodwill between Indians and non-Indians; and
8 establish the Sioux Nation Supreme Court, which will strengthen tribal sovereignty, enhance
9 individual tribal judicial systems, and help to promote economic development for the eleven
10 member tribes of the Sioux Nation; and

11 WHEREAS, the creation of the Wakpa Sica Reconciliation Place and work conducted by



1 the Wakpa Sica Historical Society enjoys great support with numerous American Indian and
2 non-Indian individuals and organizations throughout the State of South Dakota; and

3 WHEREAS, the United States Congress has appropriated \$7.6 million toward the
4 construction and work of the Wakpa Sica Reconciliation Place:

5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the Eightieth
6 Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the Senate concurring therein, that the South Dakota
7 Legislature urges the United States Congress to appropriate such sums as are necessary in Fiscal
8 Year 2006 to complete the construction of the Sioux Nation Cultural Center as a component of
9 the Wakpa Sica Reconciliation Place project.