

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Celebrating and honoring the Historic Homestake Opera House in Lead on the occasion of its centennial on August 31, 2014.

WHEREAS, the Homestake Opera House was constructed in 1914 by the Homestake Mining Company as a gift to its employees and to the citizens of Lead; and

WHEREAS, the Homestake Opera House was gifted to the City of Lead in 1972 and was devastated by a fire in 1984; and

WHEREAS, since 1984, hundreds of volunteers have worked diligently to restore grandeur and beauty to the Homestake Opera House; and

WHEREAS, the Historic Homestake Opera House Society was founded in 1998, and is dedicated to the restoration, use, and preservation for future generations of the Opera House based upon the steadfast belief that the once-thriving creative center is one cornerstone for the preservation, renewal, and development of Lead and the Black Hills community; and

WHEREAS, the power of the arts to move people has built bridges and enriched lives, bringing individuals and communities together through the resonance of creative expression; and

WHEREAS, as a people, we have an unlimited capacity for self-expression and personal interpretation and while we may not always agree with what we see or hear, it is our open-mindedness that commends the artistic struggle behind the creation and our curiosity that pursues its vision; and

WHEREAS, the Historic Homestake Opera House has significantly contributed to the quality of life in the City of Lead, the County of Lawrence, and the State of South Dakota, by providing outstanding arts programming and entertainment; and

WHEREAS, the Historic Homestake Opera House will turn one hundred years old on August 31, 2014:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the Eighty-Ninth Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the House of Representatives concurring therein, that we celebrate and honor the Historic Homestake Opera House in Lead on the occasion of its centennial on August 31, 2014.

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

February 18, 2014  
February 20, 2014

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Matt Michels  
President of the Senate

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Jeannette Schipper  
Secretary of the Senate

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Brian Gosch  
Speaker of the House

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Arlene Kvislen  
Chief Clerk of the House