

State of South Dakota

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HOUSE COMMEMORATION NO. **1025**

Introduced by: Representatives Nelson and Noem and Senator Greenfield

A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION, Honoring the friends and citizens of Castlewood during their town's 125th anniversary.

WHEREAS, in the year 1882, the small agricultural community of Castlewood burst into bloom in Hamlin County. Castlewood owes its birth to the early growth and extension of railroad lines into the Dakotas and is named for the engineer on the first train whose name was Castle and for the conductor whose name was Wood; and

WHEREAS, the town is situated in the center of one of the richest agricultural sections of northeastern Hamlin County; and

WHEREAS, in 1884 a group of thirty-four businessmen signed a petition for an election to establish the Hamlin County court house in Castlewood. Castlewood won the election and the courthouse was established there, but the court house and county seat were transferred to Hayti in 1914; and

WHEREAS, Castlewood is now home to 699 residents, and Castlewood is a town of dreams and a wonderful place to come home to:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the Eighty-second Legislature of the State of South Dakota, that the friends and citizens of Castlewood be honored and remembered during their town's 125th anniversary on June 22, 23, and 24, 2007.