## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 52

## BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

## A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

STATING THE FINDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE AND RECOGNIZING AND HONORING JON MEADE HUNTSMAN, A NATIVE IDAHOAN, FOR HIS LIFELONG ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND FOR THE EMPATHY, LOVE AND CHARITY HE HAS EXHIBITED TOWARD HIS FELLOW MANKIND.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

WHEREAS, Jon Meade Huntsman was born in Blackfoot, Idaho, raised in Thomas and Pocatello, and maintains a home and significant real estate holdings in Idaho, including the world recognized Huntsman Springs Resort and Golf Course in Teton County; and

WHEREAS, Jon Huntsman was the 1953 Freshman Class President at Pocatello High School, student body president at Palo Alto High School, graduated at the top of his class in 1959 from the Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania, earned an MBA from the University of Southern California Marshall School of Business and has been the recipient of thirteen honorary doctorate degrees at various universities, one of those being an honorary degree of Doctor of Science and Humane Letters from Idaho State University; and

WHEREAS, Jon Huntsman has been inducted into the Idaho Hall of Fame; and WHEREAS, Jon Huntsman has given over \$50 million in aid to the country of Armenia, earning the country's Medal of Honor, its highest award, Armenian citizenship, and the accolades of some who doubted their country could have survived the 1988 earthquake without Jon Huntsman's assistance; and

WHEREAS, Jon Huntsman currently sponsors college educations for twenty-six top scholars from Armenia at Utah State University each year; and

WHEREAS, Jon Huntsman is one of the approximately nineteen people in the world to have charitably given away more than \$1 billion in their lifetime to assist the homeless, the poor and to provide college scholarships for the underserved; and

WHEREAS, Jon Huntsman is the founder and principal benefactor of the Huntsman Cancer Institute, one of the leading cancer research facilities in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Jon Huntsman served two years as gunnery officer in the U.S. Navy, during which time he gave generously to charity from a modest income; and

WHEREAS, Jon Huntsman served his church in many impactful and demanding callings; and

WHEREAS, Jon Huntsman and his wife, Karen, have been married for over fifty years, have nine children and have fifty-six grandchildren, two of whom were adopted from the countries of China and India, and ten great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Jon Huntsman founded Huntsman Corporation, a global diversified chemical company that employs more than 12,000 people worldwide and earned 2013 revenues of \$11 billion.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-second Idaho Legislature, the House of Representatives and the Senate concurring therein, that we recognize and honor Jon Meade Huntsman, a native Idahoan, for his dedication to his family, his religion, his exceptional success as a businessman in creating one of the largest industrial companies in the world and for his unmatched philanthropic impact in improving the lives of untold thousands of people here in Idaho and throughout the world.