

Introduced by

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1 A concurrent resolution declaring March 5, 2015, as "Canada Day in North Dakota".

2 **WHEREAS**, Canada and the United States share a rich and vibrant history of democratic
3 governance, security and economic partnerships, and tourism and cultural ties; and

4 **WHEREAS**, Canada is the largest trade partner of the United States, and the number of
5 Canadian tourists visiting this country, and North Dakota, exceeds the number from any other
6 country; and

7 **WHEREAS**, North Dakota sells more goods to Canada than all other countries combined;
8 and

9 **WHEREAS**, over one million Canadian visitors to North Dakota annually contribute
10 \$280 million dollars to the North Dakota economy; and

11 **WHEREAS**, North Dakota and its neighboring Canadian provinces share common leading
12 industries which are vital to the economies and people of our respective nations, including
13 agriculture and energy development; and

14 **WHEREAS**, since 1932, the International Peace Garden has been a symbol of the
15 friendship between two neighbors that share the world's longest unfortified border; and

16 **WHEREAS**, this July, Bismarck will host the Council of State Governments - Midwest
17 Legislative Conference, which provides a forum for state and provincial legislators to work
18 together on shared opportunities;

19 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF**
20 **NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:**

21 That the Sixty-fourth Legislative Assembly declares March 5, 2015, as "Canada Day in
22 North Dakota"; and

23 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward a copy of this resolution
24 to the Consulate General of Canada.