

# Sixty-fifth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 3, 2017

## HOUSE MEMORIAL RESOLUTION NO. 7001 (Memorial Resolutions Committee)

A memorial resolution for deceased members of the House of Representatives of North Dakota.

**WHEREAS**, God has welcomed to their eternal home our former colleagues:

LeRoy George Bernstein, who served in the 51<sup>st</sup> through the 59<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assemblies, from District 45, died January 4, 2017;

Elaine Vig Caldis, who served in the 46<sup>th</sup> and 47<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assemblies, from District 17, died September 30, 2015;

Lyle L. Dawson, Jr., who served in the 40<sup>th</sup> and 41<sup>st</sup> Legislative Assemblies, from District 35, died March 29, 2015;

Donald Dean Dietrich, who served in the 59<sup>th</sup> and 60<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assemblies, from District 42, died December 11, 2016;

Gordon Fredrick Emerson, who served in the 41<sup>st</sup> Legislative Assembly, from District 5, died August 9, 2016;

Charles "Chuck" Frank Fleming, who served in the 42<sup>nd</sup> through the 46<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assemblies, from District 10, died July 13, 2016;

Chester "Chet" Fossum, who served in the 36<sup>th</sup> through the 40<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assemblies, from District 28, died May 22, 2015;

Arthur David Goffe, who served in the 52<sup>nd</sup> and 53<sup>rd</sup> Legislative Assemblies, from District 24, died March 6, 2016;

Richard Anthony "Dick" Hentges, who serviced in the 41<sup>st</sup> through 43<sup>rd</sup> Legislative Assemblies, from District 21, died March 9, 2017.

Gordon John Hill, who served in the 45<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assembly, from District 8, died July 22, 2015;

Sebastian Fabian "Buckshot" Hoffner, who served in the 38<sup>th</sup> and 39<sup>th</sup>, the 41<sup>st</sup> and 42<sup>nd</sup>, and the 48<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assemblies, from District 12, died December 17, 2015;

Curt Hofstad, who served in the 60<sup>th</sup> through the 64<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assemblies, from District 15, died June 18, 2016;

Ernest N. Johnson, who served in the 36<sup>th</sup> through the 41<sup>st</sup> Legislative Assemblies, from District 15, died April 4, 2015;

James A. Kerzman, who served in the 52<sup>nd</sup> through the 56<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assemblies, from District 35, and in the 57<sup>th</sup> through the 61<sup>st</sup> Legislative Assemblies, from District 31, died June 20, 2015;

Paul Patrick, who served in the 42<sup>nd</sup> Legislative Assembly, from District 8, died January 16, 2017;

Charles E. "Chuck" Orange, who served in the 43<sup>rd</sup> and 44<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assemblies, from District 18, died April 2, 2016;

Emil J. Riehl, who served in the 45<sup>th</sup> through the 50<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assemblies, from District 35, died February 27, 2016;

Enoch Thorsgard, who served in the 41<sup>st</sup> through the 46<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assemblies, from District 19, died December 16, 2015;

Harold Neil Trautman, who served in the 50<sup>th</sup> through the 52<sup>nd</sup> Legislative Assemblies, from District 48, died July 11, 2015;

Vernon E. Wagner, who served in the 38<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assembly, from District 27, in the 39<sup>th</sup> through the 44<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assemblies, from District 32, and in the 45<sup>th</sup> through the 47<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assemblies, from District 47, died May 31, 2016;

Cheryl Ann Watkins, who served in the 43<sup>rd</sup> and 44<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assemblies, from District 21, died September 3, 2016;

Wade Allen Williams, who served in the 48<sup>th</sup> through the 52<sup>nd</sup> Legislative Assemblies, from District 29, died May 12, 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, we now pause to mourn the passing of our former House of Representatives colleagues and to honor their memories; and

**WHEREAS**, these legislators rendered outstanding service to the people of the state by their contributions to public service;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

That we express our sorrow on their passing and our appreciation, on behalf of the people of North Dakota, of the loyal and devoted service of our former colleagues; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that for the perpetuation of their memory this token of respect and sympathy by their successors in trust be printed in the Journal of the House of Representatives and that the Secretary of State present enrolled copies of this resolution to the surviving families of these deceased Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

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Chief Clerk of the House

Filed in this office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017,  
at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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Secretary of State