

Introduced by

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Representatives Hatlestad, Kempenich, Zubke

1 A concurrent resolution recognizing the cooperative efforts of the rotary clubs and districts, and  
2 the citizens of multiple states from southern Texas to the far northern reaches of North Dakota  
3 and Saskatchewan, in the completion of marking the North Dakota segment of the Great  
4 Western Cattle Trail on June 27, 2021, and acknowledging the legendary role of the Great  
5 Western Cattle Trail in the history of the United States.

6 **WHEREAS**, the Great Western Cattle Trail was blazed by John T. Lytle in 1874; and

7 **WHEREAS**, by 1879, the Great Western Cattle Trail was the principal thoroughfare for  
8 Texas longhorns bound for the northern markets; and

9 **WHEREAS**, by the time of the last drive, in the 1890s, the Great Western Cattle Trail had  
10 served approximately 7,000,000 cattle, hundreds of trail bosses, chuckwagons, and remudas;  
11 and

12 **WHEREAS**, the Great Western Cattle Trail achieved almost mythical stature on the  
13 American frontier, and solidified its place in the history of Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska,  
14 South Dakota, and the province of Saskatchewan; and

15 **WHEREAS**, in 2003, rotary clubs launched a project to mark the entire Great Western  
16 Cattle Trail with concrete posts placed every six to ten miles; and

17 **WHEREAS**, on May 1, 2008, Rotary District 5580 proudly placed the first marker in Medora,  
18 North Dakota; and

19 **WHEREAS**, the placement of North Dakota's final trail marker was placed in Fort Buford;

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

22 That the Sixty-seventh Legislative Assembly recognizes the cooperative efforts of the rotary  
23 clubs and districts, and the citizens of multiple states from southern Texas to the far northern  
24 reaches of North Dakota and Saskatchewan, in the completion of marking the North Dakota

Sixty-seventh  
Legislative Assembly

- 1 segment of the Great Western Cattle Trail on June 27, 2021, and acknowledging the legendary
- 2 role of the Great Western Cattle Trail in the history of the United States; and
- 3 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this resolution
- 4 to each of the past governors of Rotary District 5580.