

HOUSE COMMEMORATION NO. 1017

Introduced by: Representatives Kloucek, Blake, Fargen, Feickert, Gibson, Hansen (Jon), Hickey, Hunhoff (Bernie), Hunt, Iron Cloud III, Jones, Killer, Kirschman, Lucas, Munsterman, Nelson (Stace), Rausch, Russell, Schrempp, Sigdestad, Sly, Steele, and Vanneman and Senators Putnam, Begalka, Buhl, Frerichs, Gray, Hunhoff (Jean), Maher, Schlekeway, Tieszen, and Vehle

A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION, Honoring and commending the twenty-fifth annual Menno Pioneer Power Show.

WHEREAS, the Menno Pioneer Power Show was once a small gathering in the Menno city park. As years have gone by the event has become larger and even more special. The gathering is now a historic event with attendees from all fifty states and many countries; and

WHEREAS, the annual event is held the third weekend in September and consists of steam engines; toy shows; ladies nail-driving contest; Worthington diesel steam engine; corn shelling, blowing, shredding, cutting, binding, and chopping; kettle corn; black smithing; and games for the children. The annual event features two antique tractor and car parades. The twenty-fifth annual event took place at Pioneer Acres on the northern outskirts of Menno on September 24-25, 2011; and

WHEREAS, other attractions include antique tractor pull, mini hot rod pull, children's pedal tractor pull, antique pickups and cars, a petting zoo, bale throwing, community rummage sale, workers church service, Murray Corlis stationary steam engine, a 1884 school house railway depot and section car, sawmill, crafts, historic buildings, steam threshing, flour mill, ladies' building, pancake and sausage feed, and Sunday morning church services; and

WHEREAS, Menno Pioneer Power Show provides family fun for everyone and is a great family oriented event highlighting South Dakota rural heritage and will be held again on September 22-23, 2012:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the Eighty-seventh Legislature of the



State of South Dakota, that the Menno Pioneer Power Show be honored and commemorated on its twenty-fifth annual show which took place on September 24-25, 2011.