State of South Dakota

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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1002

- Introduced by: Representatives Willadsen, Anderson, Bartling, Beal, Bolin, Bordeaux, Brunner, Campbell, Conzet, Craig, Cronin, Deutsch, DiSanto, Dryden, Duvall, Feickert, Gibson, Gosch, Greenfield (Lana), Haggar (Don), Harrison, Haugaard, Hawks, Hawley, Heinemann (Leslie), Holmes, Hunhoff (Jean), Hunt, Jensen (Alex), Johns, Kaiser, Killer, Kirschman, Klumb, Langer, Latterell, Marty, May, McCleerey, Mickelson, Munsterman, Novstrup (Al), Otten (Herman), Partridge, Peterson (Kent), Qualm, Rasmussen, Romkema, Rounds, Rozum, Russell, Schaefer, Schoenbeck, Schoenfish, Schrempp, Sly, Soli, Solum, Stalzer, Steinhauer, Stevens, Tulson, Verchio, Werner, Westra, Wiik, Wink, Wollmann, and Zikmund and Senators Peters, Bradford, Brown, Buhl O'Donnell, Cammack, Curd, Ewing, Fiegen, Frerichs, Greenfield (Brock), Haggar (Jenna), Haverly, Heineman (Phyllis), Heinert, Holien, Hunhoff (Bernie), Jensen (Phil), Monroe, Novstrup (David), Olson, Omdahl, Otten (Ernie), Parsley, Peterson (Jim), Rampelberg, Rusch, Shorma, Soholt, Solano, Sutton, Tidemann, Tieszen, Van Gerpen, Vehle, and White
- 1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Supporting the selection of the F-35 Joint Strike Fighter
- 2 beddown at Joe Foss Field, 114th Fighter Wing, South Dakota Air National Guard.
- 3 WHEREAS, the 114th Fighter Wing deploys worldwide and executes directed tactical
- 4 fighter sorties to destroy enemy forces, supplies, equipment, communications systems, and
- 5 installations with conventional weapons, or, when directed by the Governor, to protect life and
- 6 property, preserve peace, order, and public safety; and
- 7 WHEREAS, the 114th Fighter Wing's record of accomplishment and state of combat
- 8 readiness has established it as the preeminent Air National Guard unit. The Wing has not only



excelled but also continues to establish new standards for other Air Force and Air National

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2 Guard units to emulate; and 3 WHEREAS, the 114th Fighter Wing's recent national recognitions have included the 2015 4 National Guard Association of the United States Distinguished Flying Plaque that is presented 5 to the five highest rated Air National Guard flying units after the Spaatz Trophy winner, the 6 2015 National Guard Association of the United States Major General John J. Pesch Safety 7 Trophy that is presented to the two flying units determined to have demonstrated the highest 8 standards of flight safety in the Air National Guard, the 2014 National Guard Association of the 9 United States Spaatz Trophy that is presented to the highest rated Air National Guard flying 10 unit, and the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award that is presented for exceptionally meritorious 11 service during the time period of October 1, 2012, to September 1, 2014; and 12 WHEREAS, the 114th Fighter Wing's recent major deployments and activations have 13 included operations in support of Pacific Command Theater Security Package, Operation POST 14 EAGER LION, Operation ENDURING FREEDOM, Operation IRAQI FREEDOM, and State 15 Active Duty for the Missouri River Flood; and 16 WHEREAS, the 114th Fighter Wing continues to operate a remote aerospace control alert 17 detachment maintaining 24/7 pilot and aircraft coverage; and 18 WHEREAS, we recognize that the F-35 beddown location selection will have a tremendous 19 impact on our country's national defense and its ability to support operations throughout the 20 world: 21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the Ninety-22 First Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the Senate concurring therein, that the South

23 Dakota State Legislature strongly supports the selection of the F-35 Joint Strike Fighter

beddown at Joe Foss Field, 114th Fighter Wing, South Dakota Air National Guard.