

2023 South Dakota Legislature Senate Commemoration 804

Introduced by: **Senators** Zikmund, Bolin, Bordeaux, Castleberry, Crabtree, Deibert, Diedrich, Duhamel, David Johnson, Jack Kolbeck, Larson, Nesiba, Novstrup, Herman Otten, Pischke, Reed, Rohl, Schoenbeck, Schoenfish, Stalzer, and Wiik and **Representatives** Derby, Aylward, Bahmuller, Bartels, Blare, Duba, Duffy, Emery, Fitzgerald, Koth, Krull, Kull, Massie, Moore, Nelson, Olson, Perry, Pinnow, Reisch, Stevens, Tordsen, and Venhuizen

1A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION, Commending the Rapid City Sliders 15U baseball2team for representing South Dakota at the Babe Ruth World Series.

- 3 <u>WHEREAS, the Rapid City Sliders 15U baseball team, consisting of team members Ian</u>
 4 <u>Beer, Mason Brooks, Jackson Dial, Luke Hanzlik, Colton Morlang, Blake Olmsted, Brody</u>
- 5 <u>Thompson, Will Waddell, Nolan Williamson, Teagan Smith, and Ethan Wilson, and coaching</u>
- 6 <u>staff Molloy Dial, Bryan Olmsted, Darrick Brooks, and Casey Thompson, had an outstanding</u>
- 7 <u>regular season and, for the second year in a row, qualified for the Babe Ruth World Series;</u>
- 8 <u>and</u>
- 9 WHEREAS, the Rapid City Sliders won the Midwest Plains Regional Tournament in Rapid
- 10 <u>City, where they beat teams from North Dakota, Colorado, Missouri, and Minnesota. Team</u>
- 11 members Jackson Dial, Ian Beer, Luke Hanzlik, and Mason Brooks were voted to the Midwest
- 12 Plains Regional All-Tournament Team; and
- 13 WHEREAS, by winning the Midwest Plains Regional Championship, the Rapid City Sliders
- 14 qualified to represent South Dakota in the Babe Ruth World Series, where the team earned a
- 15 top four finish, beating teams from Oregon, Virginia, and Massachusetts. Team member
- 16 Jackson Dial was voted to the World Series All-Tournament Defensive Team:
- 17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the Ninety-Eighth Legislature of the State
- 18 of South Dakota, that the Rapid City Sliders 15U baseball team had a remarkable 2022
- 19 season, capped by their second-consecutive Babe Ruth World Series appearance.