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ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 3, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SIXTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING 2018 BUDGET SESSION

A JOINT RESOLUTION to commemorate the sesquicentennial of the signing of the 1868 Treaty of Fort Bridger.

WHEREAS, the Shoshone (eastern band) and the Bannock Tribes of Indians, presently known as the Eastern Shoshone and Shoshone-Bannock Tribes, entered into a treaty with the United States of America on July 3, 1868 at Fort Bridger, in the Utah Territory, which is now present day Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, each of the Tribes and the United States Government desiring for peace to continue among and between themselves signed the 1868 Treaty of Fort Bridger to keep and maintain peace; and

WHEREAS, the legacy of the 1868 Treaty of Fort Bridger has had an impact in numerous ways on the lives of Tribal members of both Tribes from generation to generation since the signing; and

WHEREAS, members of both the Eastern Shoshone and the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes have endured difficult burdens, sometimes navigating treacherous trails in their dedicated effort to preserve and pass along their physical and cultural identity, while at the same time making significant contributions to the development of the Republic; and

WHEREAS, the Eastern Shoshone and Shoshone-Bannock Tribes plan a sesquicentennial treaty reenactment ceremony at Fort Bridger State Historic Site to honor the spirit of this area's rich past and its First Nations, with celebrations open to the public on July 3, 2018, including the reenactment between the Tribes and military slated for

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10:00 a.m. and dances, feasts and games throughout the day; and

WHEREAS, Wyoming values and respects the historical and modern contributions of American Indian people, as evidenced by the 2017 passage of the American Indian Educational Program Act, which will educate all Wyoming students about American Indian tribes of the region, to ensure the cultural heritage, history and contemporary contributions of American Indians are addressed; and

WHEREAS, the Eastern Shoshone and the Shoshone-Bannock Nations and their people continue to be integral components of American society.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING:

Section 1. That the Wyoming legislature commemorates the one hundred fiftieth (150th) anniversary of the signing of the 1868 Treaty of Fort Bridger by educating native and nonnative people about the Treaty and by illustrating that the Eastern Shoshone and Shoshone-Bannock Tribes continue to be significant contributors to the success of this country and its future with forward-looking, positive relationships with the United States Government and each of the several states.

Section 2. That the Wyoming legislature supports nationwide public education about the heritage, history and contributions of Native American tribes and urges the federal government to uphold its federal trust responsibilities.

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Section 3. That the Wyoming legislature supports permanently displaying in Wyoming the original 1868 Treaty of Fort Bridger, which is presently on file with the National Archives.

Section 4. That the Secretary of State of Wyoming transmit copies of this resolution to the President of the United States, the Secretary of the Interior, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the President Pro Tempore of the United States Senate and the majority and minority leader and whip of each house, the Wyoming Congressional Delegation, each state governor and the business councils of the Eastern Shoshone and Shoshone-Bannock Tribes.

Speaker of the House President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED:

DATE APPROVED:

I hereby certify that this act originated in the House.

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