

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Recognizing the outstanding public service of President James Monroe.

WHEREAS, James Monroe was born on April 28, 1758, in Westmoreland, Virginia; and

WHEREAS, as a young man James Monroe left the College of William & Mary to fight for the patriot cause in the army led by George Washington; and

WHEREAS, James Monroe was one of the soldiers who famously crossed the Delaware River with Washington in December 1776; and

WHEREAS, James Monroe was severely wounded but survived, in the ensuing battle at Trenton; and

WHEREAS, James Monroe, during his life, served his country as state legislator, governor of Virginia, United States Senator, United States ambassador to France, Secretary of State, Secretary of War, and as a two-term President of the United States; and

WHEREAS, during his presidency, James Monroe promoted the building of canals and roads to further trade and commerce and ran unopposed for the presidency during his re-election bid in 1820; and

WHEREAS, in 1823, President Monroe issued the famous Monroe Doctrine, which reduced European influence in the Western Hemisphere; and

WHEREAS, James Monroe left office in 1825 in financial difficulty, and died six years later virtually penniless in the care of his daughter:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the Ninety-Second Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the House of Representatives concurring therein, that the South Dakota Legislature does hereby honor the life and legacy of President James Monroe, the sixth President of the United States.

Adopted by the Senate,
Concurred in by the House of Representatives,

January 25, 2017
January 31, 2017

Matt Michels
President of the Senate

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Secretary of the Senate

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