

**Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 3, 2023**

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3025
(Representatives Klemin, Hanson, Lefor, Roers Jones, Schneider, Vigesaa)
(Senators Bekkedahl, Dwyer, Hogue, Larson)

A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Management to consider studying the feasibility and desirability of renovating and constructing an addition to the Liberty Memorial Building or constructing a new building on the grounds of the state Capitol to serve as a new Supreme Court building.

WHEREAS, the idea of housing the Supreme Court in a stand-alone building is not a new concept; and

WHEREAS, since at least 1924, the plans for the Capitol grounds included a separate "Temple of Justice" that would mirror the architectural design of the Liberty Memorial Building; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the Supreme Court's expanding space needs, in 2015, then-Governor Jack Dalrymple proposed appropriating \$40 million to repurpose the Liberty Memorial Building into a Supreme Court building; and

WHEREAS, the 2015 proposal did not advance due to the rapid downturn in the economy which occurred at that time; and

WHEREAS, locating the Supreme Court in the Liberty Memorial Building would be a homecoming for the Court;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

That the Legislative Management consider studying the feasibility and desirability of renovating and constructing an addition to the Liberty Memorial Building or constructing a new building on the grounds of the state Capitol to serve as a new Supreme Court building; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the study include input from the Supreme Court and the Office of Management and Budget; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the study consider the feasibility and desirability of relocating the State Library or constructing a new building on the grounds of the State Capitol for the State Library, and the relocation of other agencies occupying the Liberty Memorial Building; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Legislative Management report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly.

Dennis E. Johnson
Speaker of the House

Buell T. Reit
Chief Clerk of the House

Tammy F. J. Millard
President of the Senate

Shanda Morgan
Secretary of the Senate

Filed in this office this 18th day of April, 2023,
at 8:35 o'clock A. M.

Michael J. Howe
Secretary of State