

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. HJ0008

150th Anniversary of the 1868 Treaty of Fort Bridger.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Allen, Blake and Larsen and
Senator(s) Anselmi-Dalton, Case and Ellis

A JOINT RESOLUTION

for

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

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4 WHEREAS, the Shoshone (eastern band) and the Bannock Tribes
5 of Indians, presently known as the Eastern Shoshone and
6 Shoshone-Bannock Tribes, entered into a treaty with the
7 United States of America on July 3, 1868 at Fort Bridger,
8 in the Utah Territory, which is now present day Wyoming;
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11 WHEREAS, each of the Tribes and the United States
12 Government desiring for peace to continue among and between
13 themselves signed the 1868 Treaty of Fort Bridger to keep
14 and maintain peace; and

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

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

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

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

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21 **Section 1.** That the Wyoming legislature commemorates
22 the one hundred fiftieth (150th) anniversary of the signing
23 of the 1868 Treaty of Fort Bridger by educating native and

1 nonnative people about the Treaty and by illustrating that
2 the Eastern Shoshone and Shoshone-Bannock Tribes continue
3 to be significant contributors to the success of this
4 country and its future with forward-looking, positive
5 relationships with the United States Government and each of
6 the several states, honoring the original intent of the
7 Treaty.

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

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

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

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