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**SESSION RESOLUTION**

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**WITH THE**  
**SECRETARY OF STATE**

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**RESOLUTION 1—H.F.No.105**

*A resolution relating to the eastern timber wolf; urging the Secretary of the Interior to return management control of the eastern timber wolf to the state of Minnesota.*

WHEREAS, under the Endangered Species Act, the Secretary of the Interior has designated the eastern timber wolf as an endangered species thereby removing the eastern timber wolf from state control; and

WHEREAS, the population of eastern timber wolves in the State of Minnesota has reached the carrying capacity of many portions of its range and is expanding its range into parts of the state not heretofore inhabited by this predator; and

WHEREAS, without State regulation, hardship is caused by the loss of domestic farm animals due to predation by the eastern timber wolf; and

WHEREAS, the State of Minnesota has adequate resources and authority under present law to effectively manage and control its resident population of eastern timber wolves; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of Minnesota finds and believes that it is in the best interests of the state to regain and exercise exclusive management and control over its resident population of eastern timber wolves; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Legislature of the State of Minnesota urge the Secretary of the Interior to declassify with dispatch the eastern timber wolf with the return of management to the State of Minnesota so a balanced program of management and control can be placed in effect; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State be directed to forward

copies of this resolution to the Secretary of the Interior and to each Senator and Representative in the United States Congress from the State of Minnesota.

Approved June 2, 1977.