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1 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 30

2 INTRODUCED BY FLYNN, GRAHAM

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4 A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF
5 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA URGING THE NATIONAL
6 PARK SERVICE TO PURCHASE THE SITE OF THE BATTLE OF THE
7 ROSEBUD AND KOBOLD BUFFALO JUMP.

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9 WHEREAS, located on the Kobold Ranch in the Rosebud
10 Valley in Big Horn County, near Kirby, Montana are two sites
11 of scientific and historical significance:

12 (1) The site of the battle of the Rosebud fought eight
13 (8) days before the Custer massacre, on June 17, 1876,
14 between General George Crook's one thousand three hundred
15 twenty-five (1,325) men and approximately four thousand
16 (4,000) Sioux and Cheyenne warriors. Many historians say
17 this battle led to the famed demise of General Custer.

18 (2) The Kobold Site 24BH406 Buffalo jump which has
19 been excavated, studied, and recorded. Evidence gathered
20 from the site added a new dimension to Northwestern Plains
21 archaeology concerning the time depth of systematic buffalo
22 jumping; and

23 WHEREAS, because of the significance of the Battle of
24 the Rosebud in American history, its site was entered in the
25 National Register of Historic Places on August 21, 1972; and

1 WHEREAS, the present owners of the Ranch have at their
2 own expense, marked some of the most important points of the
3 battleground; have guided visitors touring the area, and
4 have carefully preserved the site; and

5 WHEREAS, in 1956 J.W. Vaughn wrote a book about the
6 battle entitled, "With Crook at the Rosebud"; and

7 WHEREAS, there are no funds available to insure future
8 preservation of the site nor any assurance that future
9 owners might not bar the public from the ranch; and

10 WHEREAS, the present owners of the Kobold Ranch are
11 willing to sell the sites to the National Park Service to
12 insure that the historic sites and their stories be
13 preserved for future generations; and

14 WHEREAS, the Kobold Ranch is a tangible reminder of the
15 history of Montana and of the nation and reflects the beauty
16 and peace of the country.

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18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE
19 OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

20 That the National Park Service, under the National
21 Historic Preservation Act, is urged to purchase the site of
22 the Battle of the Rosebud and the Kobold Buffalo Jump.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution
24 be sent by the Secretary of State to the National Park
25 Service, the Montana Congressional Delegation and to the

- 1 Recreation and Parks Division of the Department of Fish and
- 2 Game.

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