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1 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO.  
2 BY DVORSKY and BOLKCOM  
3 A Concurrent Resolution urging the Governor to  
4 appoint a commission to develop design proposals  
5 for Iowa's participation in the United States Mint's  
6 50 state quarters program and to direct the commission  
7 to develop designs incorporating the Old Capitol as a  
8 symbol for the state.

9 WHEREAS, the United States Mint has implemented a  
10 program in accordance with Public Law No. 105-124, to  
11 commemorate each of the 50 states in the order in  
12 which the states ratified the United States  
13 Constitution and joined the Union; and

14 WHEREAS, for the 10-year period 1999 through 2008,  
15 the United States will annually issue five quarter  
16 dollar coins with state designs displayed on the  
17 reverse side of the coins; and

18 WHEREAS, each state has an opportunity to develop  
19 and submit designs representative of the state; and

20 WHEREAS, quarter dollar coins have a commercial  
21 lifespan of at least 30 years and are collected for  
22 generations, providing an opportunity for wide  
23 distribution of an enduring symbol of this state; and

24 WHEREAS, the cornerstone for the Old Capitol  
25 building located in Iowa City was laid in 1840 and the  
26 building served as the Iowa Territory Capitol from  
27 1842-1846, as the original capitol upon Iowa achieving  
28 statehood in 1846 and continuing until 1857, and as an  
29 important building of the State University of Iowa  
30 from 1857 until the present time; and

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1 WHEREAS, the Old Capitol is the location where the  
2 original Constitution of the State of Iowa was  
3 approved, and its importance in the history of the  
4 state was recognized with designation by the United  
5 States Department of the Interior as a National  
6 Historic Landmark during the nation's bicentennial in  
7 1976; and

8 WHEREAS, the Old Capitol is widely acknowledged as  
9 a symbol for the State of Iowa and was displayed as  
10 this state's symbol on the half-dollar coin issued to  
11 commemorate Iowa's centennial in 1946; and

12 WHEREAS, Iowa entered the Union as the twenty-ninth  
13 state on December 28, 1846, and the quarter dollar  
14 honoring the State of Iowa will be issued in 2004; and

15 WHEREAS, the Governor will be contacted no later  
16 than 2002 concerning Iowa's design submission; NOW

17 THEREFORE,

18 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, THE HOUSE OF  
19 REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That the Governor is urged  
20 to appoint a special commission charged with  
21 developing designs to submit to the United States Mint  
22 for the Iowa quarter dollar; and

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the commission be  
24 directed to develop designs incorporating the Old  
25 Capitol as the symbol for the state.

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