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REQUESTING THE CREATION OF A NEW MEXICO STRATEGIC PLANNING
TASK FORCE.

WHEREAS, New Mexico is a state of tremendous diversity,
values and interests; and

WHEREAS, New Mexico is confronted with a shift to a
global economy, advances in technology, increased competition
for limited public resources and pressure on its social
institutions and natural environments; and

WHEREAS, state government has transitioned to
performance-based budgeting, based on individual agencies'
strategic plans and without a common vision or plan; and

WHEREAS, a variety of public and private planning efforts
exist at state and local levels, and these efforts often lack
coordination and lend themselves to competition for limited

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1 resources; and

2 WHEREAS, New Mexico can either allow changing forces to
3 shape its future and react to perceived opportunities and real
4 crises, or it can proactively create its own future; and

5 WHEREAS, a broad-based public strategic planning process
6 would provide a vehicle for a more unified vision and the
7 realization of shared goals for the long-term future of New
8 Mexico by creating a framework for prioritizing needs,
9 allocating resources and assessing progress; and

10 WHEREAS, the seventeenth New Mexico first town hall
11 recommended the development of a results-oriented, statewide
12 strategic plan;

13 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
14 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the New Mexico legislative council
15 create a New Mexico strategic planning task force composed of
16 twenty-one New Mexicans from all areas of the state,
17 reflecting the cultural, social and economic diversity of the
18 state to engage in a strategic planning process to develop:

- 19 A. a statewide vision;
- 20 B. broad goals; and
- 21 C. performance measures, benchmarks and targets;

22 and

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the strategic planning
24 process include:

- 25 A. broad-based, diverse, statewide participation

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1 and input;

2 B. information gathering, including an assessment
3 of current conditions and trends in New Mexico, regionally,
4 nationally and internationally;

5 C. an analysis of New Mexico's strengths,
6 weaknesses, opportunities and threats; and

7 D. a review of long-range plans and planning
8 efforts conducted by state and local agencies and the private
9 sector; and

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the vision, goals and
11 performance measures be used to guide state agency strategic
12 planning and performance-based budgeting decisions; and

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that state and local governmental
14 entities cooperate with the New Mexico strategic planning task
15 force; and

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the New Mexico strategic
17 planning task force report its assessment and recommendation
18 for a long-range vision of New Mexico, including goals and
19 performance measures with targets and benchmarks, to the
20 legislative finance committee and the New Mexico legislative
21 council by November 30, 2002; and

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
23 transmitted to the governor, the New Mexico association of
24 counties and the New Mexico municipal league.

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