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FOR THE LAND GRANT COMMITTEE

A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO MEET WITH
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE LA NUESTRA SENORA DEL ROSARIO DE
SAN FERNANDO Y SANTIAGO LAND GRANT.

WHEREAS, the La Nuestra Senora del Rosario de San Fernando y Santiago land grant was granted in 1754 by the Spanish monarch and withstood the Mexican secession from Spain in 1821; and

WHEREAS, the La Nuestra Senora del Rosario de San Fernando y Santiago land grant was protected under the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo as confirmed by the Court of Private Land Claims in 1892; and

WHEREAS, the La Nuestra Senora del Rosario de San Fernando y Santiago land grant was granted a patent by the congress of the United States and signed into law by President Roosevelt in

1903; and

WHEREAS, the state department of transportation built state highway 76 through the La Nuestra Senora del Rosario de San Fernando y Santiago land grant in 1950 without obtaining properly negotiated fair lease agreements; and

WHEREAS, state highway 76 has been the site of many traffic accidents and an area of many illegal dumpsites that litter the land grant;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the state department of transportation be requested to meet with the board of trustees of the La Nuestra Senora del Rosario de San Fernando y Santiago land grant to resolve the fair lease agreements and the issues of safety concerning state highway 76 and report to the legislature not later than November 1, 2004; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be transmitted to the state department of transportation and the board of trustees of the La Nuestra Senora del Rosario de San Fernando y Santiago land grant.

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