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HOUSE MEMORIAL 70

51ST LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2014

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A MEMORIAL

RECOGNIZING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF JOHN P. "JACK" BURTON IN
ACHIEVING PASSAGE OF UNIFORM LAWS IN NEW MEXICO.

WHEREAS, John P. "Jack" Burton has been a tireless
advocate for the adoption of uniform laws in the state of New
Mexico; and

WHEREAS, Jack has served for twenty-five years as a
commissioner on the uniform law commission as a delegate from
New Mexico and has given countless hours of his time speaking
with legislators and legislative staff and providing legal
expertise to achieve adoption of more than forty uniform laws,
which is more than have been adopted in any other state; and

WHEREAS, uniform laws bring clarity and stability to
critical areas of statutory law; and

WHEREAS, those who have had the opportunity to work with

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1 Jack over the years note his dedication and recount the
2 numerous late nights he spent at the roundhouse providing
3 expert testimony on uniform law bills before legislative
4 committees; and

5 WHEREAS, Jack is known for his ability to garner support
6 and confidence from both Democrats and Republicans; and

7 WHEREAS, Jack's work has helped to promote uniformity of
8 state law when differing laws would undermine the interests of
9 citizens throughout the United States; and

10 WHEREAS, the uniform law commission has honored Jack by
11 presenting him with its lifetime achievement award and by
12 making him a life member; and

13 WHEREAS, his exemplary public service is deserving of
14 recognition;

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
16 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that John P. "Jack"
17 Burton be recognized for his outstanding service to the state
18 of New Mexico; and

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
20 transmitted to John P. "Jack" Burton.