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HOUSE MEMORIAL 78

53RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2017

INTRODUCED BY

Roberto "Bobby" J. Gonzales

A MEMORIAL

DECLARING MARCH 2, 2017 "JERRY SANDEL DAY" AT THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WHEREAS, Jerry W. Sandel is a strong supporter of San Juan county youth; and

WHEREAS, Jerry was elected in 1970 to the New Mexico house of representatives at the age of twenty-eight; and

WHEREAS, he served for thirty years and toward the end of his tenure, he represented the single most Republican voting performance district represented by a Democrat in the United States; and

WHEREAS, he is a respected businessman throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, he is a supporter of the boys and girls club of San Juan county; and

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1 WHEREAS, as representative, he was known as a guy that
2 could work with both sides of the aisle; and

3 WHEREAS, he led the house and senate to support key
4 initiatives, including the stripper well incentive, legislation
5 to set up the oil and gas advanced payment and legislation to
6 assist the state in a budget crisis, and was a leader in the
7 adoption of the enhanced oil recovery legislation; and

8 WHEREAS, he recognized the importance of Native Americans
9 and their sovereignty by negotiating the intergovernmental tax
10 credits; and

11 WHEREAS, he worked tirelessly to improve economic growth
12 in New Mexico; and

13 WHEREAS, he was honored by the house of representatives as
14 "Steady at the Helm", an honor coined by Representative James
15 Roger Madalena in honor of his ability to unify Democrats and
16 Republicans in the house taxation and revenue committee; and

17 WHEREAS, he served as chair of Governor Bill Richardson's
18 blue ribbon tax reform commission; and

19 WHEREAS, he was an undying protector of the land grant
20 permanent fund, being fully cognizant of the state's dependence
21 upon the fund for schools and universities and that the general
22 fund should not be dissipated and used as a rainy day fund; and

23 WHEREAS, Jerry will turn seventy-five on May 25, 2017;

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
25 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that March 2, 2017

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1 be declared "Jerry Sandel Day" at the house of representatives.

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