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

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A MEMORIAL

RECOGNIZING THE HARD WORK AND DEDICATION OF LEGISLATIVE STAFF.

WHEREAS, the New Mexico legislature is composed of seventy representatives and forty-two senators and meets at the roundhouse for thirty days in even-numbered years and sixty days in odd-numbered years; and

WHEREAS, although the legislature is only in session for thirty or sixty days, legislative business is conducted year-round; and

WHEREAS, legislative staff is dedicated to assisting all legislators and to making the legislative process run smoothly; and

WHEREAS, permanent, full-time employees provide assistance to legislators throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, during legislative sessions, hundreds of

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1 temporary employees are hired to fill the many jobs that are  
2 required; and

3 WHEREAS, it takes a concerted effort of all legislative  
4 staff members to make a legislative session run smoothly; and

5 WHEREAS, permanent legislative staff members from various  
6 agencies in the legislature and temporary legislative staff  
7 members perform a wide variety of tasks that may include  
8 assisting various legislative committees, drafting legislation,  
9 conducting research, proofreading legislative documents,  
10 providing word processing services, conducting fiscal and  
11 policy analyses, conducting performance audits, providing  
12 reports to legislative members, providing accounting services,  
13 publishing documents for use by the public, maintaining  
14 legislative calendars, tracking legislation, printing  
15 legislative documents, archiving legislative documents,  
16 delivering legislation, enrolling and engrossing legislation,  
17 maintaining a legislative library, maintaining the state  
18 capitol and its grounds, providing security services,  
19 distributing mail, providing food services, maintaining the  
20 legislature's information technology infrastructure, providing  
21 constituent services, maintaining a legislative website,  
22 providing information to the public, providing tours of the  
23 state capitol and many other tasks that are too numerous to  
24 name; and

25 WHEREAS, every legislative staff member makes an important

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1 contribution to the legislature and to the state of New Mexico;  
2 and

3 WHEREAS, the hard work of the legislative staff creates an  
4 environment where legislators can focus on championing  
5 legislation that represents the will of their constituents  
6 while balancing the needs of all residents of the state;

7 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
8 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that legislative  
9 staff members be recognized for their hard work, dedication and  
10 professionalism; and

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be  
12 posted on the legislative website.