

1 SENATE MEMORIAL 118

2 **53RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2017**

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10 A MEMORIAL

11 DECLARING MARCH 2, 2017 "JERRY SANDEL DAY" AT THE SENATE.

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

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

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

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

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

25 WHEREAS, as representative, he was known as a guy that

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1 could work with both sides of the aisle; and

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE
24 OF NEW MEXICO that March 2, 2017 be declared "Jerry Sandel Day"
25 at the senate.

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