

1 A MEMORIAL

2 RECOGNIZING THE BRAVERY OF STATE POLICE SERGEANT JONATHAN
3 TENORIO.

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5 WHEREAS, on the evening of January 6, 2018, state police
6 Sergeant Jonathan Tenorio found himself chasing a wrong-way
7 driver on interstate 25 near the big I in Albuquerque; and

8 WHEREAS, the driver of the white pickup was driving
9 south in the northbound lanes and was suspected of driving
10 while intoxicated; and

11 WHEREAS, it was Sergeant Tenorio's quick thinking in a
12 dangerous situation and his use of a PIT maneuver, also known
13 as pursuit intervention technique, that averted what could
14 have been a disaster, with multiple crashes and possible
15 injuries or deaths, by forcing the pickup truck into the
16 concrete barrier; and

17 WHEREAS, as the sergeant noted at the time, "Body
18 [automobile] damage can get replaced. Lives can't, so I'll
19 take this any day", referring to the three patrol cars that
20 were damaged during the DWI stop, one of them totaled;

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE
22 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that state police Sergeant Jonathan
23 Tenorio be recognized for his bravery and for risking his
24 life to ensure the safety of others; and

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Sergeant Tenorio be

1 commended for carrying out the New Mexico state police
2 mission of protecting New Mexico residents; and

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
4 transmitted to state police Sergeant Jonathan Tenorio. _____

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