

1 SENATE MEMORIAL 121

2 **53RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2018**

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10 A MEMORIAL

11 RECOGNIZING LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR JOHN A. SANCHEZ FOR HIS
12 DEDICATION AND SERVICE TO THE NEW MEXICO SENATE AND ALL NEW
13 MEXICANS.

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15 WHEREAS, Republican John A. Sanchez was first elected
16 lieutenant governor for the legislative term beginning January
17 1, 2011 and was reelected for a second four-year term beginning
18 January 1, 2015; and

19 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Governor Sanchez was born and raised
20 in Albuquerque and can trace his public service roots back to
21 his great-great-grandfather, who was a territorial legislator
22 from San Miguel county in 1860; and

23 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Governor Sanchez began his political
24 career when he was elected as a councilman for the village of
25 Los Ranchos and served from 1992 to 2000; and

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1 WHEREAS, from 2001 to 2002, Lieutenant Governor Sanchez
2 served in the house of representatives, representing district
3 15, which covers the north valley in Bernalillo county; and

4 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Governor Sanchez serves as acting
5 governor when the governor is absent from the state, as the
6 state's ombudsman and as president of the senate; and

7 WHEREAS, while presiding over the senate, Lieutenant
8 Governor Sanchez has effectively displayed the dignity, poise
9 and respect befitting that duty; and

10 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Governor Sanchez has properly
11 maintained decorum in the senate over a sometimes contentious
12 body in a calm and reassuring manner; and

13 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Governor Sanchez's treasure trove of
14 chocolates in the top-right drawer of his desk undoubtedly
15 provides the source of his good humor and pleasant disposition;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Governor Sanchez sits on several
18 boards, including the state board of finance, the New Mexico
19 mortgage finance authority, the spaceport authority and the New
20 Mexico community development council; and

21 WHEREAS, as a former business owner, Lieutenant Governor
22 Sanchez built one of New Mexico's most respected and successful
23 small businesses, and the firm has operated continuously for
24 more than thirty years and was twice honored as the small
25 business of the year; and

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