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**56TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2024**

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A MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE PENASCO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT TO TRANSFER THE ESCUELITA BUILDING IN LAS TRAMPAS TO THE LAS TRAMPAS MUTUAL DOMESTIC WATER CONSUMERS ASSOCIATION.

WHEREAS, the "escuelita building" in Las Trampas is a small single-room building with electricity but no other utility service connections; and

WHEREAS, on September 4, 1914, Pablo Martinez sold the escuela building to the school board of district twenty-three of Taos county for one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125); and

WHEREAS, the escuela building was operated as a common school for the Las Trampas community from the fall of 1914 until 1961; and

WHEREAS, since 1961, the Las Trampas mutual domestic water consumers association has leased the escuela building; and

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1           WHEREAS, the Las Trampas mutual domestic water consumers  
2 association uses the escuelita building as a meeting space and  
3 makes the building available as a meeting space for the Las  
4 Trampas acequia commission and the Santo Tomas Apostol del Rio  
5 de las Trampas land grant-merced; and

6           WHEREAS, the escuelita building is used as needed as a  
7 community center for fiestas, youth activities and other social  
8 gatherings in the Las Trampas community; and

9           WHEREAS, since 1961, the Las Trampas mutual domestic water  
10 consumers association has assumed responsibility for the costs  
11 of electric service, maintenance and improvements for the  
12 escuelita building; and

13           WHEREAS, the escuelita building is currently owned by the  
14 Penasco independent school district;

15           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF  
16 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the Penasco  
17 independent school district be requested to transfer the  
18 escuelita building in Las Trampas to the Las Trampas mutual  
19 domestic water consumers association; and

20           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be  
21 transmitted to the president of the school board of the Penasco  
22 independent school district and to the president of the board  
23 of directors of the Las Trampas mutual domestic water consumers  
24 association.