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A MEMORIAL

RECOGNIZING THE TWO HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE NUESTRA
SENORA DE DOLORES CATHOLIC PARISH IN MANZANO, NEW MEXICO.

WHEREAS, 2023 marked the two hundredth anniversary of the
founding of the nuestra Senora de Dolores Catholic parish in
Manzano, New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, native people lived in the Estancia valley for
centuries before European contact; and

WHEREAS, the area is the site of the historic Salinas
missions, which included the three missions of Abo, Quarai and
Gran Quivira; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic settlers have used the Estancia valley
for grazing livestock since 1703; and

WHEREAS, settlement of the area began in the 1800s, when
residents of the town of Tome and Valencia county petitioned

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1 the Spanish and Mexican governments for land grants in the
2 area; and

3 WHEREAS, nuestra Senora de Dolores Catholic church was
4 erected in the community of Manzano beginning in 1824; and

5 WHEREAS, the church played an important role in the
6 establishment of the Manzano land grant-merced, which was
7 granted on December 24, 1829;

8 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
9 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that nuestra Senora
10 de Dolores Catholic parish be recognized on its two hundredth
11 anniversary; and

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
13 transmitted to the board of trustees of the Manzano land
14 grant-merced and the nuestra Senora de Dolores Catholic parish.