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SENATE MEMORIAL 42

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A MEMORIAL

HONORING SHARLENE SHOEMAKER FOR TWENTY-TWO YEARS OF SERVICE TO
THE LEGISLATURE.

WHEREAS, Sharlene Shoemaker anticipates retiring from her
service at the legislative council service following the
termination of the first session of the forty-fifth
legislature; and

WHEREAS, Sharlene Shoemaker has dedicated her services to
the legislative council service for twenty-two years,
beginning mid-session 1979; and

WHEREAS, she spent her first session writing memorials,
bill analyses and arguments "For and Against", but quickly
became a valuable asset drafting legislation for the
legislature; and

WHEREAS, Sharlene Shoemaker embodies the ideals of

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1 nonpartisan, professional legislative staff, setting standards
2 that will not soon be eclipsed; and

3 WHEREAS, throughout her years of service to the
4 legislature, Sharlene Shoemaker has attained mastery over the
5 technical details and the nuances of the New Mexico tax code;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, during her career with the legislative council
8 service, she treated difficult requests for drafting
9 legislation as a welcomed challenge, thereby giving others a
10 sense of how much she enjoyed her work; and

11 WHEREAS, she has always been open to and appreciative of
12 various viewpoints or approaches different than her own and
13 has always been willing to consider new ideas and possible
14 better ways to approach a task with no ego involvement, with
15 the ultimate goal of producing the best possible product; and

16 WHEREAS, it is particularly appropriate that this
17 memorial be introduced in the senate of the state of New
18 Mexico because Sharlene was never a morning person, either;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, Sharlene Shoemaker, a firm believer that her
21 role and that of other nonpartisan staff at the roundhouse
22 should remain "behind-the-scenes", would certainly eschew the
23 idea that her retirement would be memorialized, but will have
24 to accept that this is one action that she simply cannot
25 control; and

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1 WHEREAS, Sharlene Shoemaker' s spunky personality and
2 unexpected laughter will be greatly missed in the roundhouse
3 by co-workers and legislators alike; and

4 WHEREAS, upon her retirement, Sharlene Shoemaker will
5 finally have the time to focus on other passions, such as
6 gardening, baking, traveling and volunteering her time – maybe
7 even back at the roundhouse, hey, we can hope can't we?;

8 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE
9 OF NEW MEXICO that Sharlene Shoemaker be honored for her
10 innumerable professional contributions on behalf of the
11 legislature and citizens of the state of New Mexico, her
12 relentless pursuit of excellence, her commitment to her work
13 and her years of dedicated public service; and

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
15 transmitted to Sharlene Shoemaker, a loyal and devoted long-
16 time employee who will be greatly missed by the legislature
17 and her co-workers at the legislative council service.