

1 SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL 89

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8 FOR THE INDIAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

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10 A JOINT MEMORIAL

11 REQUESTING THAT THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION AUTHORIZE
12 CONSTRUCTION OF THE HOGBACK BRIDGE TO SERVICE THE NAVAJO
13 COMMUNITIES NEAR THE SAN JUAN CHAPTER.

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15 WHEREAS, the condition of roads servicing the San Juan
16 chapter area is dangerous; and

17 WHEREAS, residents of the San Juan chapter area must
18 travel on these roads to use police and hospital services
19 located in Shiprock and Farmington; and

20 WHEREAS, ambulances from Shiprock must travel on these
21 roads to the San Juan chapter area; and

22 WHEREAS, most students who are residents of the San Juan
23 chapter area must travel on these roads to reach their schools
24 located in Kirtland, which is across the San Juan river; and

25 WHEREAS, most residents of the San Juan chapter area must

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1 travel on these roads to reach their places of employment in
2 Farmington; and

3 WHEREAS, the construction of the Hogback bridge would
4 substantially increase the safety of San Juan chapter area
5 residents, allowing them to reach the hospital and police and
6 for ambulances to reach them in approximately half the current
7 driving time; and

8 WHEREAS, the construction of the Hogback bridge would
9 substantially increase the safety of San Juan chapter area
10 residents because it would be paved up to Navajo route 36;

11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
12 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the state highway commission be
13 requested to designate the construction of the Hogback bridge
14 a top priority; and

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
16 transmitted to the chairman of the state highway commission.