

1 A JOINT MEMORIAL

2 REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO NAME THE PLANNED CHILDREN, YOUTH
3 AND FAMILIES DEPARTMENT BUILDING AFTER ALICE KING.
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5 WHEREAS, Alice King, one of the most loved and respected
6 first ladies in New Mexico history, died on December 8, 2008
7 at the age of seventy-eight; and

8 WHEREAS, Mrs. King served as first lady in 1971-1974,
9 1979-1982 and 1991-1995; and

10 WHEREAS, she worked tirelessly as an advocate for
11 New Mexico children and families, not just during her
12 husband, Bruce King's, terms as governor but throughout her
13 life, serving on the boards of numerous charitable
14 organizations, such as all faiths receiving home, San Felipe
15 Del Rio children's home, New Mexico conference of families,
16 Carrie Tingley hospital foundation, special olympics, march
17 of dimes and the New Mexico boys' ranch; and

18 WHEREAS, Mrs. King spearheaded the effort to establish
19 the New Mexico girls' ranch and the New Mexico children's
20 foundation; and

21 WHEREAS, one of her proudest accomplishments as an
22 advocate for children was the legislature's passage and her
23 husband's signing of a bill to create the children, youth and
24 families department, which she had worked tirelessly to bring
25 to fruition; and

1 WHEREAS, as the first inductee into the New Mexico
2 women's hall of fame, Mrs. King was cited for being
3 "well-known for her humanitarian efforts and as a symbol of
4 New Mexico"; and

5 WHEREAS, there is no name more fitting than that of
6 Alice King to be placed on the planned children, youth and
7 families department building;

8 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
9 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the governor be requested to honor
10 the memory of this extraordinary New Mexican who had
11 dedicated her life to improving the lives of children and
12 families by naming the planned children, youth and families
13 department building after Alice King; and

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
15 transmitted to the governor, the secretary of children, youth
16 and families and her loving husband, former Governor Bruce
17 King.

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