

1 A MEMORIAL

2 HONORING REPRESENTATIVE CONRAD JAMES AND RECOGNIZING HIS
3 OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO NEW MEXICO.

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5 WHEREAS, after two terms representing house district 24,
6 covering Bernalillo county, Representative Conrad James is
7 retiring at the end of this legislative term; and

8 WHEREAS, Representative James, a Republican, first
9 served in the legislature from 2011 to 2012, and was again
10 elected to serve from 2015 to 2016; and

11 WHEREAS, Representative James is the vice chair of the
12 house business and employment committee and is a member of
13 the house appropriations and finance committee; and

14 WHEREAS, Representative James is a strong advocate of
15 limited government and of socially and fiscally conservative
16 policies he believes best afford the opportunity for New
17 Mexicans to prosper and fulfill their innate potential; and

18 WHEREAS, during his first term, Representative James
19 carried legislation that reduced tax pyramiding in the
20 manufacturing and construction industries; and

21 WHEREAS, Representative James was honored with the
22 spirit of bipartisanship rising star award from New Mexico
23 first, a public policy organization, and he also received the
24 soaring eagle award from the New Mexico association of
25 counties; and

1 WHEREAS, Representative James was born and raised in
2 Ohio in a family that stressed education and work; and

3 WHEREAS, Representative James completed his bachelor's
4 degree in electrical engineering, summa cum laude, from the
5 university of Notre Dame, and he received his master's and
6 doctoral degrees from Cornell university in applied and
7 engineering physics; and

8 WHEREAS, since 2002, Representative James has worked as
9 a research engineer at Sandia national laboratories; and

10 WHEREAS, in 2013, Representative James was appointed to
11 the university of New Mexico board of regents and served two
12 years; and

13 WHEREAS, Representative James is described by colleagues
14 as kind and thoughtful and as having the ability to disagree
15 without being disagreeable; and

16 WHEREAS, in announcing his decision to not run for
17 reelection, Representative James stated that he was deeply
18 honored to have served as a legislator; and

19 WHEREAS, Representative James praised a partnership with
20 his constituents for successes in expanded voter access to
21 creating jobs by simplifying the tax code for businesses; and

22 WHEREAS, Representative James and his wife, Natasha, are
23 raising three children in the northeast heights of
24 Albuquerque, and Representative James is looking forward to
25 spending more time with his school-age children;

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
2 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that
3 Representative Conrad James be honored for his dedication to
4 the representation and well-being of the people of New
5 Mexico; and

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
7 transmitted to Representative Conrad James.

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