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HOUSE MEMORIAL 102
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A MEMORIAL
RECOGNIZING CARLOS MEDINA AND HIS ACCOMPLISHMENTS.

WHEREAS, Carlos Medina was born June 30, 1974 in Las Vegas, New Mexico; and
WHEREAS, Carlos is the son of Ben and Rita Medina, who were from Ribera, New Mexico; and
WHEREAS, Carlos attended west Las Vegas high school and later attended New Mexico highlands university; and
WHEREAS, Carlos started playing music when he was only seven years old and is an accomplished accordion and saxophone player; and
WHEREAS, during his professional career, Carlos has played with such great artists as Alberto Nelson "Al Hurricane" Sanchez and Darren Cordova; and
WHEREAS, Carlos also embarked on a solo career in 1998 and

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1 started his own group, "Los Trio Gallos"; and

2 WHEREAS, for many years Carlos worked at his own
3 construction company and still played music at night and at any
4 other opportunity he had; and

5 WHEREAS, Carlos was awarded the New Mexico Hispano music
6 songwriter of the year award in 1995 and 2014; and

7 WHEREAS, in 2012, Carlos created his alter ego, "Graviel
8 de la Plaga", who portrays a comical view of life in New
9 Mexico, and this alter ego elicits feelings of familiarity
10 among people as someone they know; and

11 WHEREAS, since Carlos started this alter ego role, he has
12 received more than twenty thousand followers on facebook who
13 look for his daily "norte saying of the day" or his daily
14 recognition of companies or individuals; and

15 WHEREAS, Carlos has been approached to do a comic
16 television pilot and possible television show, based on his
17 alter ego; and

18 WHEREAS, Carlos is supportive of the possible shows as
19 long as they are filmed locally in New Mexico; and

20 WHEREAS, Carlos is also involved in the Santa Fe tonight
21 show; and

22 WHEREAS, between his daily roles on facebook, his music
23 and his comedy, Carlos has closed his business and is now
24 concentrating solely on his career as a musician and an
25 entertainer; and

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