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A MEMORIAL

RECOGNIZING SUCCESSFUL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT THROUGH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS IN THE RECRUITMENT OF THE FACEBOOK DATA CENTER TO LOS LUNAS.

WHEREAS, social media has grown and has allowed communities and families locally and all over the world to better interact and collaborate with one another; and

WHEREAS, Facebook, a social networking service that connects approximately one billion eight hundred million users globally, announced in September 2016 that it chose the village of Los Lunas as the location of its newest data center; and

WHEREAS, when the data center becomes operational in late 2018, Los Lunas will become Facebook's fifth United States data center site, spanning eight hundred fifty acres; and

WHEREAS, the Los Lunas Facebook data center will be one of

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1 the most advanced in the world, using the latest computing,
2 storage and networking technologies; and

3 WHEREAS, the Los Lunas Facebook data center will use
4 thirty megawatts of electricity entirely from renewable
5 resources; and

6 WHEREAS, powering the data center with renewable energy
7 will reduce water use by thirty percent; and

8 WHEREAS, Affordable Solar, an Albuquerque-based solar
9 provider, will be the contract provider of thirty megawatts for
10 the Los Lunas Facebook data center; and

11 WHEREAS, the successful recruitment of the Facebook data
12 center is the result of public and private partnerships among
13 the village of Los Lunas and Valencia county governments, the
14 economic development community, the office of the governor, the
15 legislature, the public regulation commission, state executive
16 agencies, renewable energy providers and Public Service Company
17 of New Mexico; and

18 WHEREAS, the benefits of this successful economic
19 development project will be multi-faceted and will endure for
20 decades; and

21 WHEREAS, the benefits of promoting business development
22 and promoting environmental stewardship provide a worthy
23 business model;

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
25 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that successful

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1 economic development through public and private partnership in
2 the recruitment of the Facebook data center to Los Lunas be
3 recognized; and

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the promotion of business
5 development and promoting environmental stewardship be
6 recognized as not mutually exclusive; and

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
8 transmitted to the mayor of the village of Los Lunas, the
9 county commission chair of Valencia county, the public
10 regulation commission, Affordable Solar and Public Service
11 Company of New Mexico.