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SENATE MEMORIAL 79

54TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2019

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A MEMORIAL

RECOGNIZING WILLIAM JAMES "BILL" MOORE AND RECOGNIZING HIS SERVICE TO NEW MEXICO AND THE NATION.

WHEREAS, William James "Bill" Moore faithfully served his country as a member of the United States air force from 1961 to 1965 and was stationed at Holloman air force base; and

WHEREAS, as a Vietnam conflict veteran, Bill served as an honor guard for President John F. Kennedy; and

WHEREAS, upon his honorable discharge from the United States air force, Bill adopted beautiful New Mexico as his new home and was employed at Holloman air force base at the ratscat facility, working for general dynamics; and

WHEREAS, to raise additional funds for his family, Bill rode the famous rocket sled several times; and

WHEREAS, for fourteen years beginning in 1974, Bill served

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1 the village of Tularosa as an elected trustee and mayor pro
2 tempore during the terms of three New Mexico governors; and

3 WHEREAS, Bill was committed to compassionately advocating
4 for the village of Tularosa at local, state and federal levels;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, during his tenure as a trustee, Bill was actively
7 involved with the New Mexico municipal league, serving on
8 behalf of the community on several committees; and

9 WHEREAS, Bill was very proud of many of the projects he
10 saw accomplished as trustee and mayor pro tempore, but was most
11 proud of securing both state and federal funding for the
12 Tularosa senior and community center; and

13 WHEREAS, the Tularosa senior and community center is a
14 tremendous asset to the community, complete with an
15 internationally trained chef; and

16 WHEREAS, Bill was an entrepreneur, owning J and J mini
17 mart in Tularosa for many years, and also worked for waste
18 management of New Mexico, Bernalillo county, cascade
19 engineering and State Senator Billy McKibben; and

20 WHEREAS, in all of his positions, Bill made it a priority
21 to impact each community in which he served by giving back; and

22 WHEREAS, most recently, Bill and his wife, Debbi, lived in
23 the communities of Rio Rancho and Las Cruces, where he was
24 fondly known as the "volunteer by marriage", always supportive
25 and by Debbi's side at chamber of commerce, community and

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1 legislative events; and

2 WHEREAS, with his unexpected and untimely passing, Bill
3 left a tremendous legacy of giving, love and compassion for his
4 adopted home of New Mexico and for his beloved wife, Debbi, and
5 his six children, Winston, Karen, Tim, Michelle, Anita and
6 David;

7 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE
8 OF NEW MEXICO that William James "Bill" Moore be recognized and
9 honored for his commitment and dedication as a United States
10 air force veteran and for his public service to the people of
11 New Mexico; and

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
13 transmitted to the family of William James "Bill" Moore.