HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 45

42ND LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 1996

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A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL TO CONSIDER INCREASING ARMED GUARDS AT THE STATE CAPITOL DURING THE LEGISLATIVE SESSION AND EMPLOYING ARMED GUARDS DURING THE INTERIM.

WHEREAS, extremists have targeted public buildings for assault in order to express their violent political goals; and

WHEREAS, such extremists blew up a federal government building in Oklahoma City, killing almost two hundred innocent people in the process; and

WHEREAS, bomb threats directed at New Mexico's state capitol have been received by local authorities; and

WHEREAS, a visiting legislator's purse was snatched on the capitol grounds in the fall of 1995; and

WHEREAS, the capitol has been the target of graffiti vandals;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the legislative council consider increasing armed guards during the legislative session and employing armed guards during the interim; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be transmitted to the co-chairmen of the legislative council and to the director of the legislative council service.

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State of New Mexico House of Representatives

FORTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE SECOND SESSION,

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Mr. Speaker:

Your RULES AND ORDER OF BUSINESS COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

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has had it under consideration and finds same to be GERMANE in accordance with constitutional provisions.

Respectfully submitted,

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