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HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 74

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

INTRODUCED BY

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A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO STUDY THE GROWING NEEDS  
OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN WITH THE HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS OR  
ACQUIRED IMMUNE DEFICIENCY SYNDROME.

WHEREAS, women of child-bearing age as a group comprise one  
of the largest and fastest-growing segments of new HIV and AIDS  
cases; and

WHEREAS, there exists a dire need to increase public  
awareness, support and information about women and children  
living with HIV and AIDS; and

WHEREAS, women and children living with HIV and AIDS often  
have expensive special child care needs; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to provide education and training  
for child care providers serving children with HIV and AIDS; and

WHEREAS, various health care professionals, including

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1 obstetricians and gynecologists, and health care facilities  
2 throughout the state are in need of training in order to offer  
3 sensitive and knowledgeable care and treatment to women with HIV  
4 and AIDS; and

5 WHEREAS, there is a marked lack of studies, research or  
6 clinical trials related specifically to women living with HIV  
7 and AIDS; and

8 WHEREAS, there is a need for increased emotional support  
9 and counseling for children and families living with HIV and  
10 AIDS;

11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE  
12 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the department of health study the  
13 needs of women and children living with HIV and AIDS; and

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the study include participation  
15 by women and children living with HIV and AIDS and various  
16 service and provider organizations and advocacy groups working  
17 with the HIV and AIDS community; and

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the study include examination  
19 of and need for HIV and AIDS school support groups and family  
20 camps where communication and therapy opportunities are  
21 available; and

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the study examine the  
23 possibility of providing emergency financial support for  
24 families experiencing an HIV or AIDS crisis; and

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the study include the issue of

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1 fair housing opportunities for women and families living with  
2 HIV and AIDS; and

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be sent  
4 to the department of health and to various organizations  
5 providing services and advocacy to the HIV and AIDS community.

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# State of New Mexico House of Representatives

FORTY- SECOND LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION, 1996

February 10, 1996

Mr. Speaker:

Your LABOR AND HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE, to  
whom has been referred

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has had it under consideration and reports same with  
recommendation that it DO PASS.

Respectfully submitted,

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Vincent Gallegos, Chairman

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Adopted \_\_\_\_\_ Not Adopted \_\_\_\_\_

(Chief Clerk) (Chief Clerk)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

The roll call vote was 4 For 1 Against

Yes: 4  
No: Roberts  
Excused: Marquardt  
Absent: None

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