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SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL 82

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

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A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT AND THE TOURISM DEPARTMENT TO ASSIST EFFORTS BY THE PRIVATE SECTOR TO ESTABLISH PASSENGER TRAIN SERVICE BETWEEN NEW MEXICO AND MEXICO.

WHEREAS, Recursos de Santa Fe, an educational nonprofit organization, is coordinating an educational seminar on a passenger train called the American orient express that would travel between Santa Fe, New Mexico and Mexico City, Mexico via the Camino Real; and

WHEREAS, Recursos de Santa Fe would staff the train with presenters who would lecture on economic, social and cultural conditions related to doing business with Mexico; and

WHEREAS, space on the train would be made available to key governmental and business representatives from New Mexico who would benefit from the educational program, in exchange for

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1 private or public sponsorship; and

2 WHEREAS, the return trip and associated educational program
3 would be structured for Mexican businessmen interested in doing
4 business in New Mexico and the United States and would end in
5 Santa Fe with a reception for them attended by New Mexican
6 businessmen and elected officials; and

7 WHEREAS, Recursos de Santa Fe is generating underwriting by
8 private corporations and public entities sympathetic to
9 international economic development; and

10 WHEREAS, the successful implementation of this inaugural
11 trip would open the door and the border to regular passenger
12 excursions between Santa Fe and Mexico City with resultant
13 economic benefits for both countries; and

14 WHEREAS, the trips will coincide with the four hundredth
15 anniversary of the Camino Real, which was a historic trade route
16 that linked Santa Fe with Mexico City;

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
18 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that Recursos de Santa Fe's is efforts in
19 supporting international economic development and partnership
20 with Mexico be recognized and that the economic development
21 department and the tourism department provide assistance
22 wherever possible; and

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the state highway and
24 transportation department provide and support the implementation
25 of a rail border crossing from its current bottleneck situation

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1 in Juarez, Mexico and El Paso, Texas to Santa Teresa, New
2 Mexico; and

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
4 transmitted to the secretaries of economic development, tourism
5 and highway and transportation.

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7 Mr. President:
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13 has had it under consideration and reports same with
14 recom~~m~~endation that it DO PASS, and thence referred to the
15 CORPORATIONS AND TRANSPORTATI ON COMMI TTEE.
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17 Respectfully submi tted,
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Absent: 0

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