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SENATE MEMORIAL 29

43RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 1998

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A MEMORIAL

HONORING NATIONAL CHAMPION QUARTER HORSE JOCKEY ROBERT "BOBBY"
ADAIR ON HIS ADMISSION TO THE AMERICAN QUARTER HORSE
ASSOCIATION HALL OF FAME.

WHEREAS, Robert "Bobby" Adair, a 1961 graduate of
Hagerman high school, will be installed as a member of the
American quarter horse association hall of fame March 8 at the
Disneyland hotel in southern California; and

WHEREAS, he began his riding career at Ruidoso Downs the
same summer he was graduated from high school, later riding
winners at La Mesa park in Raton, Sunland park in Dona Ana
county and at the state fair competition in Albuquerque; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 1960s he rode at various tracks
in Texas and competed at the Centennial track in Littleton,
Colorado, ultimately riding to victory in quarter horse

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1 competitions from New York to Washington; and

2 WHEREAS, in his twenty-year career, Bobby Adair won one
3 thousand seven hundred five races at the Los Alamitos,
4 California track alone; and

5 WHEREAS, one hundred seventeen of these wins were stakes
6 victories with bonus purses; and

7 WHEREAS, for six consecutive seasons he was the track's
8 leading rider and the first rider in track history to win one
9 hundred or more races in a season, winning one hundred three
10 in 1969; and

11 WHEREAS, from 1968 through 1972, for five consecutive
12 years, he was the nation's leading quarter horse rider; and

13 WHEREAS, among the world champion quarter horses he rode
14 to victory were the famous "Palomino Express" Kaweah Bar, Band
15 of Angels, Viking Anne, Don Guerro and Bobby's Angel; and

16 WHEREAS, his nearly two thousand career victories
17 included six champion of champions, four times winning both
18 the Kindergarten futurity and the Los Alamitos championship,
19 and three victories each in El Primero Del Ano derby and the
20 Kaweah Bar handicap, plus winning both the Golden State
21 futurity and derby; and

22 WHEREAS, a broken shoulder ended his riding career, but
23 he continues to work as an outrider at Los Alamitos each
24 morning as well as competing in team roping and breaking
25 several dozen horses each year;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE
OF NEW MEXICO that sincere congratulations be extended to
jockey Robert "Bobby" Adair for his admission to the American
quarter horse association hall of fame on March 8, 1998; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that recognition be given to his
more than two thousand career victories, a result of his
dedication to excellence in his chosen career as a jockey in
the nationally competitive American quarter horse association
sanctioned racing circuit; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
sent to Robert "Bobby" Adair for inclusion in his induction
ceremony March 8, 1998 at the Disneyland hotel in California.

1 FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

2 SECOND SESSION, 1998

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5 February 18, 1998

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7 Mr. President:

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9 Your RULES COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

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

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23 Gloria Howes, Chairman

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The roll call vote was 5 For 0 Against

Yes: 5

No: 0

Excused: Aragon, Gorham, Rodarte

Absent: None

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