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JOINT MEMORIAL

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FOR THE ECONOMIC AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

A MEMORIAL

REQUESTING CONTINUOUS COOPERATION AMONG THE GOVERNMENTS OF NEW MEXICO, THE UNITED STATES AND MEXICO TO IMPROVE AND MAINTAIN ROADS.

WHEREAS, economic activity in Dona Ana county and along the United States-Mexico border has steadily increased over the past several years; and

WHEREAS, trade between the United States and Mexico is valued in the hundreds of billions of dollars, and each month, more than one billion dollars (\$1,000,000,000) worth of products cross the United States-Mexico border at the Santa Teresa port of entry in southern New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, the economies of New Mexico, the United States and Mexico have realized significant benefits from increased productivity and trade in the Santa Teresa-San Jeronimo port-

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1 of-entry border region over the past several years; and

2 WHEREAS, the increased economic activity in the border
3 region has resulted in an increase in infrastructure needs,
4 specifically road improvement, and maintenance needs within the
5 New Mexico-Mexico international border region;

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE
7 OF NEW MEXICO that the governments of New Mexico, the United
8 States and Mexico be requested to cooperate on issues related
9 to the improvement and maintenance of roads in the Santa
10 Teresa-San Jeronimo port-of-entry border region and within the
11 New Mexico-Mexico international border region; and

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
13 transmitted to the governor of New Mexico, the New Mexico
14 secretary of transportation, the New Mexico congressional
15 delegation, the United States secretary of transportation and
16 the secretariat of communications and transportation for
17 Mexico.