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A MEMORIAL

HONORING THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF STATE LEGISLATURES FOR
ITS CREATION IN ALBUQUERQUE AND ON THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY
OF ITS FOUNDING ON JANUARY 1, 1975.

WHEREAS, over the past fifty years, the national
conference of state legislatures has evolved to become the
premier organization solely dedicated to serving state and
territorial legislators and legislative staff; and

WHEREAS, the national conference of state legislatures
was created from the merger of three organizations that
served or represented state legislatures and shared the
belief that legislative service is one of democracy's
worthiest pursuits; and

WHEREAS, after a series of meetings of those
organizations in Albuquerque in 1974, the national conference
of state legislatures was founded on January 1, 1975; and

WHEREAS, the national conference of state legislatures
is a bipartisan organization with three objectives: to
advance the effectiveness, independence and integrity of
state legislatures; to foster interstate communication and
cooperation; and to ensure that states have a strong,
cohesive voice in the federal system; and

WHEREAS, our nation's state legislatures are America's
laboratories of democracy and have continually shown that

1 they are the bodies to tackle emerging challenges; and

2 WHEREAS, state legislatures are where people from very
3 different backgrounds, representing very different
4 communities, can come together and find common ground; and

5 WHEREAS, the national conference of state legislatures
6 has facilitated the exchange of ideas, provided critical
7 research and information and encouraged a rigorous review of
8 complex issues confronting our communities, states and
9 nation, and it strives to strengthen the bonds between
10 America's state legislatures and the international community;

11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
12 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the national
13 conference of state legislatures be recognized and commended
14 for its superb leadership and commitment to the legislative
15 institution; and

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the national conference of
17 state legislatures be congratulated on the occasion of its
18 fiftieth anniversary in 2025; and

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
20 transmitted to the national conference of state legislatures. =

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