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HOUSE MEMORIAL 96

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A MEMORIAL

HONORING WALTER CECIL "DUB" WILLIAMS, JR. AND RECOGNIZING HIS
OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO NEW MEXICO.

WHEREAS, Walter Cecil "Dub" Williams, Jr., who served as a
state representative for district fifty-six for fifteen years,
died in Ruidoso on October 27, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Dub was born on November 16, 1927 in Bogalusa,
Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Dub moved to Lincoln county in 1944 and married,
ranching and raised a family there; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from high school, Dub enlisted
in the United States Navy for two years and then attended New
Mexico state university, where he graduated with a bachelor of
science degree in business administration and education; and

WHEREAS, Dub was a school teacher and a coach for twenty-

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1 nine years in the Ruidoso public school system and was the
2 founder of the Ruidoso high school scholastic banquet; and

3 WHEREAS, Dub was passionate about Ruidoso football and was
4 the broadcast announcer at the Ruidoso football stadium,
5 calling every football game for many, many years; and

6 WHEREAS, Dub had a heart for his community and his
7 community had a heart for him, leading him to serve as chairman
8 of the Lincoln county medical center and as chairman of the
9 water defense association; and

10 WHEREAS, Dub was elected and served in the New Mexico
11 house of representatives from 1995 to 2009; and

12 WHEREAS, Dub represented Lincoln, Chaves and Otero
13 counties, where he was a respected advocate for his beliefs and
14 where he was held in high regard; and

15 WHEREAS, during his legislative career, Dub served on many
16 standing and interim committees, with a keen interest in
17 agricultural and water resource issues and public school
18 funding issues; and

19 WHEREAS, Dub was known for his warm, gentle style and his
20 ability to defuse contentious debate; and

21 WHEREAS, with his passing, the state lost a respected
22 leader, mentor and statesman; and

23 WHEREAS, he is survived by his wife of sixty-four years,
24 Kathryn Hale Williams; his brothers, Charles Sherwin Williams
25 and Ernest Ray Williams; his sons, Neale Henry Williams and his

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1 wife, Karen, and Borde Hale Williams, and his wife, Lisa; four
2 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren;

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
4 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that Walter Cecil
5 "Dub" Williams, Jr. be honored for his many years of public
6 service and dedication to the residents of New Mexico, his
7 commitment to all of the students whose lives he affected and
8 to the many people whose lives he touched; and

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
10 transmitted to Kathryn Hale Williams.