

1 A MEMORIAL

2 RECOGNIZING THE ONE HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ALBUQUERQUE
3 BRANCH OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF
4 COLORED PEOPLE.

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6 WHEREAS, the Albuquerque branch of the national
7 association for the advancement of colored people, also
8 known as the NAACP, celebrated its one hundredth birthday on
9 January 5, 2015; and

10 WHEREAS, nationally, the NAACP began in 1909, three
11 years before New Mexico became the forty-seventh state; and

12 WHEREAS, the Albuquerque branch, founded in 1915, is
13 one of the oldest chapters of the NAACP; and

14 WHEREAS, the mission of the NAACP is to ensure the
15 political, educational, social and economic equality of
16 rights of all persons and to eliminate race-based
17 discrimination; and

18 WHEREAS, the vision of the NAACP is to ensure a society
19 in which all individuals have equal rights without
20 discrimination based on race; and

21 WHEREAS, the NAACP seeks to remove barriers of racial
22 discrimination through democratic processes, to inform the
23 public of the adverse effects of racial discrimination and
24 to seek the elimination of racial discrimination; and

25 WHEREAS, the NAACP further seeks the enactment and

1 enforcement of federal, state and local laws securing civil
2 rights; and

3 WHEREAS, Harold Bailey, Ph.D., president of the NAACP
4 Albuquerque branch, has stated that there must be a
5 collective strategy to address common adverse situations and
6 has pledged to work with other groups to form partnerships
7 and coalitions to address similar problems; and

8 WHEREAS, the NAACP's leadership and perseverance in
9 protecting individuals against hate crimes and civil rights
10 violations has greatly benefited the Albuquerque community;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, the Albuquerque branch of the NAACP
13 administration is committed to enhancing the rich history of
14 the Albuquerque branch and to working with unity and
15 purpose;

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE
17 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the Albuquerque branch of the
18 national association for the advancement of colored people
19 be recognized for its dedication and commitment to social
20 justice on its one hundredth anniversary; and

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
22 transmitted to the president of the Albuquerque branch of
23 the NAACP. _____
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