

1 A MEMORIAL

2 RECOGNIZING CARLOS MEDINA AND HIS ACCOMPLISHMENTS.

3 WHEREAS, Carlos Medina was born June 30, 1974 in Las
4 Vegas, New Mexico; and

5 WHEREAS, Carlos is the son of Ben and Rita Medina, who
6 were from Ribera, New Mexico; and

7 WHEREAS, Carlos attended west Las Vegas high school and
8 later attended New Mexico highlands university; and

9 WHEREAS, Carlos started playing music when he was only
10 seven years old and is an accomplished accordion and
11 saxophone player; and

12 WHEREAS, during his professional career, Carlos has
13 played with such great artists as Alberto Nelson "Al
14 Hurricane" Sanchez and Darren Cordova; and

15 WHEREAS, Carlos also embarked on a solo career in 1998
16 and started his own group, "Los Trio Gallos"; and

17 WHEREAS, for many years Carlos worked at his own
18 construction company and still played music at night and at
19 any other opportunity he had; and

20 WHEREAS, Carlos was awarded the New Mexico Hispano music
21 songwriter of the year award in 1995 and 2014; and

22 WHEREAS, in 2012, Carlos created his alter ego, "Graviel
23 de la Plaga", who portrays a comical view of life in New
24 Mexico, and this alter ego elicits feelings of familiarity
25 among people as someone they know; and

1 WHEREAS, since Carlos started this alter ego role, he
2 has received more than twenty thousand followers on facebook
3 who look for his daily "norte saying of the day" or his daily
4 recognition of companies or individuals; and

5 WHEREAS, Carlos has been approached to do a comic
6 television pilot and possible television show, based on his
7 alter ego; and

8 WHEREAS, Carlos is supportive of the possible shows as
9 long as they are filmed locally in New Mexico; and

10 WHEREAS, Carlos is also involved in the Santa Fe tonight
11 show; and

12 WHEREAS, between his daily roles on facebook, his music
13 and his comedy, Carlos has closed his business and is now
14 concentrating solely on his career as a musician and an
15 entertainer; and

16 WHEREAS, Carlos is a multitalented individual and a
17 rising star of New Mexico;

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
19 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that Carlos Medina
20 be recognized for his native talents and his mentorship of
21 young adults; and

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
23 transmitted to Carlos Medina.