

1 A MEMORIAL

2 HONORING CARROLL H. LEAVELL AND RECOGNIZING HIS OUTSTANDING  
3 SERVICE TO NEW MEXICO.

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5 WHEREAS, Carroll H. Leavell, a republican, served as a  
6 state senator for district 41 in Eddy and Lea counties from  
7 1997 to 2018; and

8 WHEREAS, Senator Leavell announced his retirement in  
9 2018 and resigned after nearly twenty-two years in office;  
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11 WHEREAS, Senator Leavell had an illustrious career in  
12 the senate and was best known as a member of the senate  
13 finance committee, on which he served from 2003 to 2018; and

14 WHEREAS, Senator Leavell also was a member of the  
15 following standing committees: the conservation committee  
16 from 1999 to 2002, the corporations and transportation  
17 committee from 1997 to 1998 and from 2001 to 2002, the  
18 natural gas pipeline study subcommittee in 2001, the public  
19 affairs committee from 1999 to 2000 and the ways and means  
20 committee from 1997 to 1998; and

21 WHEREAS, Senator Leavell was a member of almost every  
22 interim committee during his career, including the economic  
23 and rural development and telecommunications committee from  
24 2001 to 2006, the investments and pensions oversight  
25 committee from 2006 to 2008 and from 2011 to 2018 and the

1 radioactive and hazardous materials committee from 1997 to  
2 2018, and was an advisory member of the water and natural  
3 resources committee from 2015 to 2018; and

4 WHEREAS, Senator Leavell was also appointed as a member  
5 of the public school capital outlay oversight task force from  
6 2002 to 2008; and

7 WHEREAS, Senator Leavell is a staunch advocate of the  
8 oil and gas industry, and he touted the industry's  
9 contributions to the state; and

10 WHEREAS, Senator Leavell is highly respected by his  
11 colleagues, who describe him as low key and genial with a  
12 love for New Mexico that is truly genuine; and

13 WHEREAS, civic involvement has always been important to  
14 Senator Leavell, and in 2007, the cowboy hall of fame and  
15 western heritage center named Senator Leavell a silver concho  
16 honoree for his service to the country; and

17 WHEREAS, Senator Leavell, the former owner of Leavell  
18 insurance and a real estate broker, is active in his  
19 community, serving as past president of the industrial  
20 development corporation of Lea county, past president of  
21 independent insurance agents of New Mexico, a lions  
22 international club trustee, past board member of the  
23 university of the southwest and a trustee for first united  
24 Methodist church; and

25 WHEREAS, Senator Leavell, who lives in the city of Jal,

1 had to make longer trips back and forth from the state  
2 capitol than any other legislator; and

3 WHEREAS, after all that time on the road, Senator  
4 Leavell deserves a continued long and relaxing retirement at  
5 home;

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE  
7 STATE OF NEW MEXICO that Carroll H. Leavell be recognized for  
8 his years of outstanding public service to New Mexico; and

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be  
10 transmitted to Carroll H. Leavell. \_\_\_\_\_

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