

1 A MEMORIAL

2 RECOGNIZING THE NEW MEXICO MILITARY INSTITUTE BRONCOS FOR
3 WINNING THE NATIONAL JUNIOR COLLEGE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
4 DIVISION ONE NATIONAL FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP.

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6 WHEREAS, the New Mexico military institute broncos
7 captured the national junior college athletic association
8 division one national football championship on December 17,
9 2021 at War Memorial stadium in Little Rock, Arkansas; and

10 WHEREAS, under first-year head coach and former New
11 Mexico military institute player Kurt Taufasau, the broncos
12 scored a thirty-one to thirteen victory over number-one-
13 ranked Iowa western, capturing the broncos' first national
14 football title; and

15 WHEREAS, led by running back Anthony Grant and
16 quarterback Diego Pavia, the broncos secured a twenty-four to
17 zero halftime lead; and

18 WHEREAS, the New Mexico military institute defense
19 forced three turnovers, including two fumble recoveries by
20 Christian Carreathers and Hunter Chambers and an interception
21 by Jayden Oliver; and

22 WHEREAS, the broncos took a fourteen to zero lead in the
23 first quarter, with Anthony Grant scoring on a twenty-three
24 yard run, Diego Pavia running in from thirty-four yards and
25 William Testa kicking the extra points after the touchdowns;

1 and

2 WHEREAS, William Testa booted a twenty-four yard field
3 goal and, with forty seconds remaining before halftime,
4 Terrence Moore scored on a sixteen-yard touchdown pass from
5 Diego Pavia, followed by William Testa's extra point,
6 bringing the score to twenty-four to zero; and

7 WHEREAS, in the third quarter, Anthony Grant caught a
8 four-yard touchdown pass from Diego Pavia, and William Testa
9 scored the point after the touchdown for a thirty-one to zero
10 lead; and

11 WHEREAS, Iowa western scored two touchdowns and one
12 point after a touchdown in the fourth quarter, but it was not
13 enough to tarnish the broncos' victory;

14 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
15 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the New
16 Mexico military institute broncos be recognized for winning
17 the national junior college athletic association division one
18 national football championship; and

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
20 transmitted to New Mexico military institute head coach Kurt
21 Taufa'asau and to the members of the New Mexico military
22 institute's national championship team. _____

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