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A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO DEVELOP CRITERIA FOR
IMPLEMENTING AND MAINTAINING A REGISTRY OF COMMUNITY LAND
GRANTS IN A UNIFORM AND CLEAR MANNER THAT WILL PRESERVE THE
HISTORICAL, CULTURAL AND LEGAL RECORD FOR THE FUTURE.

WHEREAS, community land grants have existed in New
Mexico since the beginning of the Spanish settlement in the
early 1600s, in the last millennium; and

WHEREAS, the only complete official registry of the
community land grants is with the federal government; and

WHEREAS, almost all of the surviving community land
grants exist in New Mexico and remain as a living repository
of the colorful and grand history and culture of this great
state;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE
STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the secretary of state be requested

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1 to develop criteria for implementing and maintaining a
2 registry of community land grants in a uniform and clear
3 manner that will preserve the historical, cultural and legal
4 record for the future; and

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
6 transmitted to the secretary of state.

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