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SENATE MEMORIAL 12

45TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2002

INTRODUCED BY

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A MEMORIAL

DECLARING JANUARY 30, 2002 "MATT J. SANDOVAL DAY" AT THE NEW MEXICO SENATE.

WHEREAS, Matt J. Sandoval, a lifelong resident of New Mexico who made a lasting contribution to the state, passed away on December 12, 2001; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sandoval served honorably in the United States army as a medical technician; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sandoval dedicated his professional life to education, working thirty-three years as a teacher, principal and coach in the West Las Vegas and Mora school systems; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sandoval continued his life as an educator after retirement, teaching students about the benefits of not smoking and using his own experience with cancer as a lesson for them; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sandoval strongly advocated for a smoke-free

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1 environment and was involved in having the state capitol
2 designated a smoke-free environment; and

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Sandoval was a tireless advocate for the
4 American association of retired persons, serving as a state
5 legislative liaison, presenting bills on education, health and
6 long-term care; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Sandoval was active in his community as a
8 member of the American legion, Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic
9 church and La Sociedad de San Jose; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Sandoval is survived by his wife of fifty-
11 two years, Helen; his son, Matt, Jr.; his daughter, Karen
12 Marquez; two grandchildren; and countless friends and
13 admirers;

14 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE
15 OF NEW MEXICO that January 30, 2002 be designated "Matt J.
16 Sandoval Day"; and

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
18 transmitted to the family of Matt J. Sandoval.