SENATE MEMORIAL 23

46TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2003

INTRODUCED BY

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A MEMORIAL

HONORING GILBERT "TALACHE" SALAZAR, THE LATE NINETEEN-YEAR STATE SENATE EMPLOYEE, ELECTION JUDGE AND GENTLEMAN.

WHEREAS, Gilbert "Talache" Salazar, a long-time resident of Santa Fe, passed away on January 15, 2003 at the age of eighty-four; and

WHEREAS, he served his country proudly in the United States army during World War II and was awarded the purple heart and bronze star; and

WHEREAS, he served as a member of the elks, eagles and masons and was a past president of the toast masters; and

WHEREAS, he dedicated thirty-one years to the state highway and transportation department as an engineer; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Salazar served the New Mexico state senate for nineteen years as an attendant; and

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1   WHEREAS, taking pride in his work for the senate, Mr.

2   Salazar annually before each session went with another senate

3   attendant to Albuquerque to purchase a new suit in order to

4   look his best for his senate service; and

5   WHEREAS, he served for thirty-four years as a poll watcher

6   and presiding election judge for hundreds of statewide and

7   Santa Fe county elections, serving at E.J. Martinez elementary

8   school, Alameda junior high school and PERA building polling

9   locations, among others; and

10   WHEREAS, he gave of himself to anyone in need, and, ever

11   the gentleman, touched the lives of many people with his

12   kindness and consideration; and

13   WHEREAS, he is survived by his son, Monty Livingston; two

14   stepsons, David and Gilbert Leyba; six grandchildren; three

15   great-grandchildren; and his very special friend, David

16   Gallegos;

17   NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE

18   OF NEW MEXICO that condolences be extended to the family and

19   friends of Gilbert "Talache" Salazar, a loving and devoted New

20   Mexican; and

21   BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be

22   transmitted to his son, Marty Livingston, and other family

23   members.

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