

A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THAT THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS CONTINUE FUNDING FOR THE BUSINESS PROFESSIONALS OF AMERICA PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the mission of business professionals of America is to contribute to the preparation of a world-class workforce through the advancement of leadership, citizenship, academic and technological skills; and

WHEREAS, business professionals of America provides a national vocational student organization, operating through the schools; and

WHEREAS, the program encourages initiative and competitiveness by individuals and groups, thus helping to develop future leaders for business and office careers; and

WHEREAS, each of its members is provided opportunities to become aware of America's system of free enterprise and entrepreneurship; and

WHEREAS, business professionals of America builds status for business and office careers and enhances the total business education program; and

WHEREAS, the program provides each member an opportunity to participate in national competitive events programs; and

WHEREAS, business professionals of America offers its members national recognition opportunities through the national leadership conference and other nationwide programs;

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WHEREAS, the program provides its members the opportunity to participate in leadership activities, such as civic and service projects and citizenship and safety programs; and

WHEREAS, business professionals of America affords its membership individual recognition through the torch awards program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the United States congress be requested to continue to provide funding for business professionals of America; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be transmitted to the members of the New Mexico congressional delegation.