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A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE NEW MEXICO CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO INITIATE LEGISLATION TO INCLUDE DONA ANA COUNTY IN A SINGLE-STATE DESIGNATED MARKET AREA.

WHEREAS, antiquated federal communications commission restrictions now prevent Dona Ana county residents from receiving their broadcast choice of Albuquerque, New Mexico, television stations: and

WHEREAS, Dona Ana county viewers currently receive only El Paso, Texas, television broadcast signals due to this restriction: and

WHEREAS, residents in Dona Ana county should have access to television broadcast signals from Albuquerque, New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, Dona Ana county residents miss many of the . 155392. 1

important news reports concerning New Mexico because of this restriction; and

WHEREAS, Dona Ana county residents should be able to receive both El Paso, Texas, and Albuquerque, New Mexico, television broadcast signals via antenna;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the New Mexico congressional delegation be requested to initiate and proceed with legislation to create a single-state designated marketing area and provide for the convenient access of the Albuquerque television broadcasting signals for Dona Ana county residents; and

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

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